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A Hard Sell **Gets Clinton** The Support Of Business

By Kenneth N. Gilpin

New York Times Service

NEW YORK — When he was running for president, Bill Clinton had relatively little support from business outside Silicon Valley and a few traditionally Democratic corners of Wall Street. But as President Clinton has a support of the suppor Clinton, he is being surprisingly well re-ceived in corporate boardrooms across the

Since Mr. Clinton presented his economic hlueprint to Congress and the nation Feb. 17, he has crisscrossed the com-

New Jersey students get a first lesson on national service from Mr. Clinton. Page 3.

try to meet with business leaders and seek. their support. And so far, he seems to be getting it — even though the program will inflict pain on many rich business execu-

tives and on their corporations.

"It behooves everybody, businessmen and average individuals alike, to really make this work," said Roberto C. Goizueta, chairman and chief executive of Coca-Cola Co., echoing a theme voiced by many executives in interviews the last few days. "If he succeeds, we all succeed. If he fails, we all fail."

Attitudes may change as more details of the program come out, or as executives have a better chance to weigh its consequences. For now, though, many executives say that any dissatisfaction they have over parts of the program is outweighed by the leadership Mr. Clinton has shown in addressing problems like the federal budget deficit and health care.

"There are some things in the program that bite our company hard, and this is going to hurt today," said Vernon R. Loucks Jr., chairman and chief executive of Baxter International Inc., a health-care company. "But there isn't going to be a future if we don't get these things solved." Business leaders said their respect for

Mr. Clinton began to rise at the economic summit meeting he held in Little Rock, Arkansas, in December. At that two-day See CLINTON, Page 8

Another First: First Lady's Pitch

New York Times Service WASHINGTON - She became the first first lady to take an office in the West Wing, and the first to be given a real White House job: heading the effort to cut-health-care costs. To these firsts Hillary Rodham Clinton now adds another: On Opening Day of the 1993 major-league. paseball season, Mrs. Clinton, not her husband, will throw the symbolic first pitch.

Mrs. Clinton, a native of Park Ridge Illinois, has long been a fan of the Chicago Cubs, who open the season at Wrigley Field on April 5 against the Atlanta

"She was invited by the Cubs, and she's very excited about it," said Lisa Caputo, Mrs. Clinton's press secretary. "She's a big Cubs fan. They're her hometown team, and she used to go see them play at Wrigley."
For the record, Ms. Caputo said, Mrs. Clinton throws right-handed.

Humanitarian Gesture? Or a Military First Step?

By Craig R. Whitney

New York Times Service

BELGRADE — With an American airdrop of humanitarian supplies in eastern Bosnia signaling a new phase of international involvement in the war in the Balkans, the Serbian leader-

ship, blamed for the worst of the violence, let the step pass without comment Monday.

Government-controlled Serbian television reported on the mission flown by the first three American cargo planes from Frankfurt before dawn Monday and quoted European newspa pers warning of the possible dangers, but there was no official comment from the Serhian president, Slobodan Milosevic.

"I think people generally understand the move as a sign of

growing American military involvement, said Predrag Simic. director of the Institute of International Politics and Economics, which is close to the federal government of the Serbian-Montenegran federation that still calls itself Yugoslavia. "I doubt whether the aid will have much practical effect,"

Mr. Simic said, as field reports came in showing that the 21 tons of supplies parachuted into the steep snow-covered hills had not immediately been picked up by the besieged Muslims for whom they were intended.

Svetozar Stojanovic, foreign policy adviser to Dobrica Cosic. the president of Yugoslavia, said that Mr. Cosic had asked army commanders not to fire at the U.S. C-130 cargo planes that dropped 30 crates of medicine and 20,736 ready-to-eat meals over castern Bosnia on Sunday night.

"The Americans said they couldn't be 100 percent sure there might not be incursions into our territory," Mr. Stojanovic said. but why should we fire on our former allies?" None of the three planes, which flew at high altitude, was fired at Sunday night, despite heavy fighting in the area believed intended for

Mr. Cosic, as president of a country that has largely disinte-grated, has little real power compared to Mr. Milosevic, and less influence over the Serbian forces that have been driving Muslims from mountain villages in Bosnia and preventing United Nations convoys on the ground from hringing in

supplies.

The international economic sanctions and the increased

"But it could have the effect of dragging the Americans in to further fighting," Mr. Simic said. "All three sides have reason to shoot down a plane, because whoever actually did it, the Serbs would be blamed."

American involvement aimed at bringing pressure on Mr. Milosevic to call off Serbian attacks may well have strengthened his grassroots support among Serbs here, whose mood is suiter, and resentful of what they feel is the deliberate misperened his grassroots support among Serbs here, whose mood is suiter, and resentful of what they feel is the deliberate misperception that they are the only ones who have committed aurocities in the war.

Though Belgrade does not have the appearance of a capital at war, it is clearly under strain. Armed militiamen in green battle fatigues walk streets with little traffic, and gasoline supplies are limited by the embargo. Grocery stores have hardly any imported goods, and inflation is skyrocketing.

Hostility toward the United States is on the rise in a country that long looked to America as a protector. The United States Cultural Center in the center of the city was stoned last month. and "Gringos go home" is spray-painted on the walls.

"Why are Serbs called 'pigs' in your newspapers." one woman with a small baby said as she accosted an American on a six-hour bus journey from Budapest the other day. She insisted, as did Serbian radio here, that the Chicago Tribune had used the word. She had come from Budapest because

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U.S. Airdrop, Though a Hit Technically, Misses Target

Satellites Find 9 Crates That Besieged Muslims Have Not Yet Recovered

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina - U.S. cargo planes air-dropped 21 tons of emergency aid to besieged Muslims in eastern Bosnia un-der cover of darkness Monday, but the opera-tion appeared to have missed its target.

U.S. satellites have located some of the supplies, according to United Nations and U.S. military sources. They said satellite images had shown up the landing spot for nine of the 30 crates dropped by parachute from three U.S. C-130 transport planes over the Muslim enclave of Cerska. The crates were still on the ground, the sources said.

None of the aid, dropped under cover of darkness early Monday, had yet been found by the intended recipients, according to amateur radio operators in Cerska and other Muslimheld areas under siege from Serbs in eastern

"It is a parachute mystery," Sarajevo radio said in a broadcast more than 12 hours after the

the C-130s returned to Germany.

The sources said grid references for at least four of the crates had been given to the UN peacekeeping force in Sarajevo so they could be passed to the Muslim-led Bosnian government. One source said a crate had landed about 300 meters from the center of the drop zone chosen

by the U.S. Air Force for Monday's operation, the first under President Bill Clinton's initiative to get aid to trapped Bosnians. But the source said a major difficulty for those planning the operation was lack of reliahle information on the ground about the posi-tion of front lines or the best target area to

Admiral James A. Lair said Cerska, where Muslims have heen cut off from outside help hehind Serbian siege lines since war erupted in Bosnia in April, had been the only target.

Admiral Lair, speaking aboard the aircraft carrier John F. Kennedy in the Adriatic, said the six-hour mission had gone "just like clock-

"Some information from the field says there was something spotted in Serb-held territory," a radio ham in Cerska said, "but we can't say if it is humanitarian aid." A Serb, who cut in on the radio link, was

asked if Serbs had received any supplies from the air. "Nothing, nothing," he replied. "We don't need anything."

Amateur radio links are a principal source of information about the trapped Muslims. They are also a source of misinformation. The civil war on the ground is minicked in an uncivil war over the airwaves as Bosnians and Serbs exchange lies and insults.

Officials of Bosnia's Muslim-led government in Sarajevo said the U.S. airlift appeared to have been an almost total failure. A defense official in the government-held town of Tuzla said bundles with food and medical supplies fell on Serhian lines around Cerska.

Mr. Clinton's initiative had won a warm welcome from Bosnia's Muslim-led govern-ment, which has highlighted the plight of up to 200,000 Muslims besieged by rebel Serbs.

Unconfirmed reports from Bosnian Muslims that Cerska might be about to fail to the Serbs were among accounts of fighting across the republic on Monday.

Bosnia's vice president, Ejup Ganic, urged

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'A U.S. Navy fighter being cleared for takeoff Mouday from the John F. Kennedy in the Adriatic. Navy jets monitored the area as air force planes parachuted aid in Bosnia. Police See 'Plenty of Leads' in Wake of Tower Blast

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK - New York policemen and

FBI agents began poring over parking garage records from the World Trade Center on Monday as the investigation into the bomb blast on Friday worked on "plenty of leads."

Thousands of employees with offices at the trade center, meanwhile, returned to jobs relocated around lower Manhattan and workers in the complex began to shore up the devastated

basement areas with steel girders.

Police Commissioner Raymond Kelly of New York said at a news briefing that investigators were looking at parking records from Friday. Officials from the Port Authority.

numbers for all parked cars. James Fox, an assistant director of the Feder-

Bombers' silence buffles investigators. Page 6. The Port Authority was warned eight years ago of the trade center's vulnerability. Page 6.

al Bureau of Investigation, said a videotape of

cars coming into one of the garage entrances surfaced on Monday.
"Whatever ingredients were in the bomb, we

which controls the complex, said that parking attendants took at least partial license plate any van," he said. "Experts say the explosion dicates a device that was large and heavy.

The blast killed five people, injured 1,000 and rocked the city's largest building complex. Some news reports Monday said a finding of nitrate indicated that readily available dynamite or TNT was responsible, rather than the sophisticated plastic explosives favored by organized terrorists.

But Mr. Kelly said that such explosives could be combined. "I don't think we're in a position

more than one person was involved and that the conspirators may even have driven more than A visitor to the complex who parked his car

20 minutes before the blast, said he had seen a suspicious car parking and reparking in different slots. But he said he had been advised by the police not to give details.

Mr. Kelly also said the police had received

224 bomb threats over the weekend, far more than the usual 10 a day for New York City. Mr. Fox said Sunday that the bombing was probably the work of terrorists or drug dealers. Others have linked the bombing to the strife in

to exclude anything," he said. Mr. Fox said that "plenty of leads" had surfaced. He said investigators suspected that See TOWER, Page 6 believe it had to be a large, heavy bomh, possi-Italy's Most-Wanted Man Says He Doesn't Measure Up More 'Squidgy,' Less Charles

British Royals Keep Flame (of Controversy) Alive By Eugene Robinson

Washington Post Service

LONDON - Britain's wayward royals roared back into the news Monday, with what were said to be new excerpts from the Princess of Wales's infamous "Sounday" tape and the decision by Prince Charles to curtail his involvement with his first and perhaps only true loves, his polo ponies.

Australian television broadcast what it said were previously suppressed parts of a taped telephone conversation between Diana and a friend, identified as James Gilbey. Throughout the tape, which first came to light last fall, the man calls the woman hy the nickname

In one of the new excerpts, broadcast by the Australian Broadcasting Corp. program "Four Corners," the woman speaks of her fear of getting pregnant and refers to a popular soap opera in which a character became pregnant by her lover, not her husband.

Diana left Monday for an official visit to

Nepal, her first big trip since separating from Prince Charles late last year, and did not comment on the Australian report. The new material, if genuine, raises anew the question of just how the conversation, along with another conversation between Charles and

a woman alleged to be his mistress, Camilla Parker Bowles, was obtained. According to "Four Corners," an analysis of the tape suggests that it stemmed from a wire-

tap on Diana's phone. The tape may then have been edited, remixed and rebroadcast several

seat on behalf of Europe. "The United States says Germany should be on the Secu-

nity Council, but there are still two countries

that are opposed - Britain and France," Mr. Kinkel said in response to questions

during a privately sponsored conference on U.S.-German relations.

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New York Times Service ROME -- He might have been any small, stubby man in a cage of hullet-proof glass denying he was the head of the Cosa Nostra. He did not even know what the Cosa Nostra was, he said. He had been wronged by informers, he said.

The reporters never got it right, either

They describe me as big and tall," he said, without knowing I'm short and stubby." Thus, with many denials, much gesticula-tion and repeated references to his modest stature, did the murder trial begin in Palermo on Monday of Italy's most wanted mobster, the accused boss of all bosses of the Sicilian Mafia, the cape di rutti capi - Salvatore

He was not about to acknowledge the title.
"I'm only a worker," he said, "I've worked for years for a construction company. I am not the person the papers say."

He had never been part of any criminal organization, he said. He had earned around \$200 a week - "that was how I managed to get by." He was not a mobster, but a private citizen, he said. He took buses, trains and planes and no one stopped him. "I was all house, work, family and church."

That is not the official view of things. The authorities accuse Mr. Riina, 62, of ordering or participating in more than 100 murders. Italy's investigating magistrates accuse him of masterminding the Sicilian Mafia's growth from a band of island hoodlums to eminence

in the world's billion-dollar cocaine and her-As the "boss of all bosses," he would have been heavily into extortion, corruption, highlevel political connections and fraudulent public works contracts.

His tactics against adversaries were said to have carned him the sobriquet "The Beast." Last year's car-bomb killings of Italy's top Mafia-busters, Giovanni Falcone and Paolo Borsellino, were laid at his door, as were a host of other assassinations of senior figures. When he was finally captured in Palermo on Jan. 15 after 23 years on the run, the arrest

was feted as one of Italy's greatest-ever hlows Salvatore (Toto) Riina inspecting the courtroom as his trial opened on Monday.

in a high-security courtroom in Palermo's Ucciardone jail, the televised footage of the event was the first chance most Italians had

been given to see him.

If his image had seemed larger-than-life, though, he set out to show himself smaller-

though, he set out to show turnsen statutes than-life — literally.

An informer, he said, had once said he was 1.75 meters tall or 5 feet 9 inches tall.

"But I'm only 1.60 or 1.61," said the 5-foot 3-inch accused.

Mr. Riina's appearance was at a trial for the murder of three Sicilian politicians — Michele Reina, Piersanti Mattarella and Pio La Torre — between 1979 and 1982. Prosecu-tors say that Mr. Riina and five other mobsters who made up the Mafia's leadership nt that time ordered the killings because the three politicians had tried to move against the moh's interests.

Additionally, Mr. Riina is set to appear in

five other trials at which he will be accused of ordering the murders of police officers, relatives of Mafia jurn-coats and gangsters. Even before he went to court. Mr. Riina faced a string of life sentences passed during Malia trials in the 1980s when he was convicted in his absence of murder and other charges. If what the authorities say about Mr. Riina

is true, then he knows more about the inner workings of the Mafia than anyone else on this planet. That makes him a threat and a target to many.

Thus, he was transferred secretly from Rome to Palermo hy helicopter over the weekend and housed in a high-security cell. When he entered the courtroom, he was taken first to a steel cage lined with hullet-proof glass - standard courtroom equipment at Mafia trials - where he prowled restlessly until he found the microphone to ask his lawyer, Cristoforo Fileccia, which trial, ex-

actly, he was appearing in.

His graying hair was brushed back nearly. He wore a green checked jacket and opennecked shirt and slacks. He was just an ordinary man of Palermo.

"I am a poor illiterate." he said in his highpitched voice, reinforcing his profession of

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Bonn to Push for UN Council Seat

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GUTERSLOH, Germany (Reuters) — Foreign Minister Klaus Kinkel said Mon-day that Germany would press for a seat on the UN Security Council despite British and French opposition.

He said it would be unrealistic to imagine that the European Community would take a

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A cult leader freed some children as a standoff continued in Texas. Page 6. **Sports** Genrge Steinbrenner

(right), the Yankee boss, is back. Page 15.



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By Julia Preston and Trevor Rowe

Washington Post Service
UNITED NATIONS, New York — Dick Thornburgh, who served for the past year as the top UN official for reforming bureaucratic excess and corruption, bas reported that the world body is still hobbled by antiquated management, "deadwood" functionar-ies protected by patronage and "almost surreal" bud-

Mr. Thornburgh, in a blistering final report deliv-ered to Secretary-General Butros Butros Ghali, called on him to name an inspector-general as a permanent watchdog against abuses. The report is a challenge to Mr. Butros Ghali to renew a flagging drive he initiated to clean up and streamline the UN at a time when it faces increasingly ambitious demands to provide global leadership.

A former U.S. attorney general, Mr. Thornburgh stepped down Monday after n one-year appointment as undersecretary-general of the UN's Department of Administration and Management. A copy of his re-

By Henry Kamm

New York Times Service PHNOM PENH --- Underlining

its defiance of UN peacekeepers,

the Khmer Rouge leadership has accused United Nations officials and Western powers on the Securi-

ty Council of aligning themselves

with Vietnam in an effort to elimi-nate the Khmer Rouge, Khieu Samphan, the Khmer

Rouge representative on Cambo-

dia's transitional Supreme Nation-

al Council, made the complaint in a

telegram sent last week to Yasushi Akashi, the head of the temporary

UN authority in Cambodia. Under

peace accords signed in 1991, the UN is overseeing the disarmament of factions in Cambodia's civil war

in advance of democratic elections

nominal leader of the Khmer Rouge, the Communist guerrilla

movement that governed Cambo-

dia from 1975 until Vietnam invad-

ed and installed a new government

in early 1979. The real leader of the

Khmer Rouge remains Pol Pot, who is said to divide his time be-

tween a guerrilla enclave on the

In the letter, Mr. Khieu Sam-

phan said that leading Western na-

tions wanted to eradicate the

Khmer Rouge because it viewed

the group as an obstacle to the

West's "strategic and economic de-

signs on Cambodia." He asserted

that Vietnam was so weakened by

the collapse of the Soviet Union

that it had formed an 'alliance'

with the West to maintain its influ-

The Khmer Rouge leader also

ence in the region.

Thai border and Thailand.

Mr. Knieu Samphan is only a

it plans to supervise in May.

UN Sides With Hanoi,

Khmer Rouge Alleges

Communist Guerrillas Accuse Powers In West of Trying to Eradicate Them

abide by its commitment under the

1991 accord to place its military forces under UN control, disarm

them and demobilize 70 percent of

them, saying that the UN authority and the Western powers "prefer to sacrifice Cambodia on the altar of

UN officials here said they

viewed the accusations as part of a continuing campaign by the Khmer Rouge to justify its refusal to abide

by several terms of the peace ac-

cords, which have been accepted by

the Cambodian government and the two other rebel factions.

telegram that Cambodia had been

"invaded" by more than two mil-

lion Vietnamese "settlers." He as-serted that they were organized

UN investigation teams have

found three Vietnamese soldiers

serving with the armed forces of the

government in Cambodia, Reuters

reported Monday from Phnom

into secret networks.

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their alliance with Vietnam."

port, which has not yet been made public, was obtained by The Washington Post. There has been no comment from Mr. Butros Ghali or his office.

Mr. Thomburgh writes that the United Nations is "almost totally lacking in effective means to deal with fraud, waste and abuse by staff members." He concluded after his inside glimpse of the UN labyrinth. that the internal audit structure was "chronically frag-mented and inadequate" and "not cost-effective."

According to the report, for example, the Joint According to the report, for example, the Joint Inspection Unit, one of the agencies charged with internal supervision, recently spent \$4 million on a study of "Managing Works of Art in the United Nations," while doing little to monitor administrative irregularities. The unit, Mr. Thornburgh writes, "has become in large part, a convenient patronage dumption excelled."

Soon after becoming secretary-general in November 1991, Mr. Butros Ghali committed himself to a bureaucratic overhaul, in response to mounting complaints about mismanagement and resource squandering from major donor nations.

Early in his term, Mr. Butros Chali climinated about a quarter of high-level jobs and started to rationalize many operations in the UN Secretariat, which has some 14,000 employees. But he was besieged with conflicting demands from both rich and poor member nations who wanted some UN niche of their own. Diplomats from the Western powers have worried privately that the secretary-general's zeal for change appears to be waning.

Laying out his findings as an agenda for his successor. Mr. Thomburgh said that "defects exist in nearly every aspect of present personnel practice." Recruit-ment is "more or less haphazard," he said, and "consumes an inordinate amount of time."

transcribe dictation from translators, since modern translation word-processors bave not been

The report estimates that \$20 million could be saved by updating translation techniques. But Mr. Thorn-burgh said his efforts to make this change were stymied by managers in one agency, the Office of Conference Services, who were "seeking to preserve the status

In one passage, Mr. Thomburgh directly criticizes the secretary-general, who in November appeared to backpedal when he created three new departments for economic and social affairs and three new top-level posts to run them. Mr. Thornburgh warned that "the

Training is insufficient, be said, and promotions are "unduly complicated to the point of being nearly unworkable."

The result, be found, is "too much 'deadwood' doing too little work and too few good staff members doing too much."

In one case of job padding, Mr. Thornburgh's team found that the UN was employing 500 typists to the time for them Mr. Thornburgh warned that "the potential for turf battles, duplication and malcoordination which you have previously identified will only be magnified" by that measure.

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WORLD BRIEFS

Adviser to Cocaine Ring Surrenders

BOGOTA (AP) — The man considered by police to be the financial brains behind the Medellin cocaine ring has surrendered to authorities, the attorney general's office said Monday.

José Fernando Posada, 38, turned himself over to representatives of the Medellin processors of the said to the said Medellin prosecutors' office who were waiting outside a movie theater Sunday night, the announcement said. He was taken to a maximum security prison outside Medellin where 17 other drug ring members are

Mr. Posada was the fourth leading cartel member to surrender in recent weeks under a government offer of leniency. Authorities said the surrenders were weakening the organization led by the fugitive druglord, Pablo

Hindu Party Backs Off in Parliament

NEW DELHI (Renters) — A Hindu opposition party's threat to stall Parliament because of alleged police excesses last week in thwarting a banned political rally fizzled out Monday.

Deputies of the Bharatiya Janata Party rushed to the speaker's podium shouting alogans when the lower house of parliament opened. But Home Minister S. B. Chavan tried to calm them, saying that the government regretted the "inconvenience caused to them" at the rally last Thursday.

The Bharatiya Janata Party had vowed to halt all work in parliament; unless the government ordered an inquiry into a "vicious attack" on its The Bharatiya Janata Party had vowed to halt all work in parliament, unless the government ordered an inquiry into a "vicious attack" on its party president at the rally, apologized to the party for the police action and removed Delhi's police commissioner. Mr. Chavan said, however, that there was no question of removing the commissioner. Jaswant Singh, a senior BJP leader, said: "We are not going to quibble over Chavan's words. We will allow parliament to function."

French Right Sets Scene for Sacrifice

PARIS (Reuters) — The official campaign for France's March 21 and 28 general election opened on Monday with the only suspense being the size of the expected landslide by the conservatives.

Center-right opposition leaders, assured of a crushing victory in the latest polls, sought to lower expectations, telling voters they would have

latest polls, sought to lower expectations, telling voters they would have to make sacrifices to revive a stagnant economy and reduce record unemployment. Laurent Fabius, leader of the governing Socialist Party, issued a desperate call to leftist voters to shake off their torpor lest France wake up to find the most rightist partiament in its history.

A CSA poll in Monday's Le Parisien newspaper forecast that the center-right alliance would poll 38.5 percent and win 424 to 436 of the 555 National Assembly seats for metropolitan France. The other 22 seats represent overseas territories. The Socialist Party crept ahead of the ecologists with 19 percent, or 91 to 98 parliamentary seats. They have 270 seats in the outgoing assembly.

Kiev Assails Yeltsin Plea for UN Role

KIEV (Reuters) — Ukraine reacted strongly Monday against President Boris N. Yeltsin's appeal for a United Nations mandate for Russia to act as a "guarantor of peace" on the territory of the former Soviet Union. "Ukraine has never recognized and will never recognize that Ukrainian territory is a sphere of Russian special interest," said Mikola Mikhailchenko, chief political adviser to President Leonid M. Kravchuk. "We

will never agree to Russia once again becoming an elder brother or any other kind of brother. We want relations of equality." Mr. Mikhailchenko said he saw the appeal as a Russian attempt to win international endorsement of a long-standing striving for dominance in the region of what was the Soviet Union.

Palestinian Stabs 2 Israelis to Death

TEL AVIV (AP) — A Palestinian wielding two knives went on a stabbing spree in a crowded commercial district Monday, killing two Israelis and wounding nine.

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The man - a brother of a convicted member of the Muslim fundamentalist group Islamic Jihad — was chased down by bystanders and beaten with a pipe before being led away by the police. The assailant, Ziad Salameh, 19, from the occupied Gaza Strip, said he wanted to hurt Jews because he could not find work in Israel, the police said. They said he

Later, the Israeli Army announced it would seal off the Gaza Strip on Tuesday morning until further notice. Residents of the strip, including about 30,000 Palestinians who work in Israel, will not be permitted to

No Plans for U.K. Talks, China Says

BELIING (Reuters) — China said Monday that there were no plans for talks with Britain on democratic proposals for Hong Kong and that any negotiations would depend on Britain's actions.

"We could hold talks but the British side must return to the foundation

laid by the Sino-British formt declaration. agreements reached between the two sides." Prime Minister Li Peng told: group of Hong Kong legislators.

Despite Mr. Li's apparent dismissal of the possibility of talks and, another senior official's statement that there were no plans for negotiations, Allen Lee, the leader of the Hong Kong delegation, said he was still optimistic. "We feel there is a great possibility for the two governments to return to the negotiating table," he said in a telephone interview.

For the Record

Coal miners in the Kuznetsk region of Siberia and the Far North went on strike Monday at more than four dozen pits to press demands for back pay and wages tied to inflation. The strike was then suspended until March 10, when it might resume, officials of the Council of Workers' Committees told the Interfex press agency.

John Demianjuk, convicted in Israel as the brutal Nazi camp guard Tvan the Terrible," started a three-day fast Monday to protest a delay in the ruling on his appeal, his lawyer said. "Nine months have passed, nothing has happened," the attorney, Yoram Sheftel, said of the Supreme Court deliberations. A five-judge Supreme Court panel wound up the hearings of Demjanjuk's appeal in June 1992.

A commander of the armed Islamic extremists who have wrought havoc in Algeria for the past year has been arrested, the police confirmed Monday. The extremist, Ikhlef Cherati, was arrested Friday in the Algiers suburb of El Harrach, where he allegedly directed terrorist operations in a conflict that has left about 600 people dead.

TRAVEL UPDATE

French railroad ticket-counter employees are planning a one-day na-tionwide strike Friday to protest against the introduction of a new computer reservation system, unions said Monday. The strike would follow similar action in Paris area railroad stations last Friday. (IHT) Heavy snow disrupted traffic in the Toulouse region of southern France on Monday, officials said. The police barred trucks from the Toulouse-Narbonne autoroute and escorted convoys of cars over the Perthus pass (Reuters)

into Spain. A storm damped snow across most of northern Spain on Monday, cutting road access to 700 mountain villages. The regions of Castilla y León, Asturias, Cantabria and the Basque region were especially hard-hit in the storm that began Saturday, with 39 mountain passes closed and 41 requiring tire chains, the National Traffic Office reported.

(AP)

ently unstable and would eventual-ly unravel. Under the system, any and helped end the wartime system Stalled Rescue of Russia Needs New Approach, Experts Say

By Fred Hiatt Washington Post Service

MOSCOW - One year after the Western world promised billions to help lead Russia from communism to democracy, the grand notion of massive aid for historic reform has collapsed, and experts here say

a fresh approach is urgently needed.

As to any bustling Third World capital, consultants and World Bank specialists are streaming into Moscow. They lodge at the finest botels, rent apartments once reserved for the Communist elite and work in skyscraper suites where Czechs and Cubans once

reigned.
Yet, despite their ballooning presence, the rescue
operation has stalled. The result is frustration, resentment and a growing fear that the historic opportunity is being squandered

"The situation in our country is worsening, and this barsh crisis easily could lead to fascists or Communists coming to power," said Boris Nemtsov, governor of Nizhny Novgorod. "If the West wants this, then, fine, it should do nothing."

Many Western arrests here agree that the aid effort Many Western experts here agree that the aid effort

has been timid and inadequate to what is at stake: whether Russia will evolve into a peaceful democracy or regress into what Mr. Nemtsov called "a monster armed with missiles." But they also say that, given the political and economic instability, traditional forms of aid are likely to be wasted or counterproductive. "We are at a crossroads here," said a senior econo-

mist involved with the West's aid effort. "If we keep using the same figures and the same speeches and the some way of thinking, we are going nowhere."

President Bill Climton, in a major policy speech
Friday, argued that "the world will suffer" if President Boris N. Yeltsin's programs are aborted.

"If we are willing to spend trillions of dollars to ensure communism's defeat in the Cold War, surely we should be willing to invest a tiny fraction of that to support democracy's success where communism failed," be said.

But as Mr. Clinton spoke his agriculture secretary was telling senior Russian officials that they would receive no more loans to buy U.S. grain until they made good on nearly \$400 million in arrears.

Russia is fabulously rich in natural resources, but decades of Soviet neglect, pillage and declining invest-ment have left its industry and agriculture too feeble to exploit that wealth. The country therefore finds itself trapped in a vicious cycle that only Western aid or investment could break: It cannot earn enough dollars through exports to modernize, but without modernizing it will earn less and less.

At the same time, Russia is attempting an economic

and political transformation on a scale not seen since its own Bolshevik Revolution three-quarters of a cen-tury ago: from heavily militarized and polluting industry to peaceful and clean production, from inefficient collective farms to cooperatives or private agriculture, from a totalitarian system of top-down management to individual initiative.

In a nation as vast and troubled as Russia, Western aid could not erase the pain of such a transformation, with its inevitable unemployment and jarring disloca-tions. But Russians hoped to receive enough to cush-ion the blow to the poorest and to invest in industries.

leaders last spring. Russia has received some \$10 billion of the promised funds, but much of it has been in short-term loans, some of which already are coming The Bush administration promised us \$24 billion

tarian aid. For the shortfalls, they offer a compelling explanation: It's Russia's fault

cious of Western encroachments.

ised program of strict monetary reform, it forfeited its right to massive aid.
"All of this is dependent not essentially on the

generosity of the West but on the credibility of your own policies." Mr. Camdessus told a Russian

Indeed, to hand billions to the current government would be foolish, according to Russians and Westerners alike. Some money would end up supporting the dinosaur state enterprises that are at the root of Russia's problems; some would show up in private

bank accounts in Zurich and London. "Nothing disappears faster than money in an eco-nomic swamp like this," said Peter A. Fischer, director

of the Carnegie Endowment's Moscow office.
But Mr. Fischer and others say some road must be found between throwing billions away and simply

disengaging.

And they argue that Russia is too important, has risked too much and come too far to be abandoned now. The fragile shoots of a civilized society have pushed through the Soviet permafrost much faster than anyone predicted: iconoclastic newspapers, risktaking entrepreneurs, pioneering private farmers and a younger generation with astomshing reservoirs of optimism and adaptability.

Only Russia ultimately can decide its course, experts here agree. But with the nation seemingly testering between progress and retrenchment, democracy and disintegration, even marginal help could be decisive, advocates say,



LIVERPOOL MOURNS — The hearse carrying the coffin of 2-year-old James Bulger passing by Monday after the funeral. The boy was found dead Feb. 14 near a railroad line, and two 10-year-old youths have been charged with his kidnapping and number.

SEX TAPES: More of 'Squidgy' but Less of Charles

Penh, quoting a UN spokesman. Hanoi has refused to accept the three men as Vietnamese nationals (Continued from page 1) and take them home, he added.

A government spokesman said Phnom Penh had no objection to days later on cellular phone frethe men's being repatriated if they were found to have been soldiers He denied that they were governteur radio enthusiasts, as the British tabloids have maintained, unment soldiers, hut members of a

local militia who had married less they had been recorded by Cambodian women and wanted other means and then rebroadcast. The government has strenuously Cambodian nationality. The militia is not the army, it's a self-defense group," the govern-ment spokesman said. "It is not

full investigation.

mity's standard of tolerance."

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man said he had been dreaming Man: It was the most extraordi-

Man: Darling that's not going to

Woman: Yeah. Man: Don't think like that. It's oot going to happen, darling. You

Man: Squidgy, kiss me. Ob God. It's so wonderful, isu't it, this sort

ot definitive, appear to tip the cales somewhat.

She is not being housed in the Nepalese royal palace, the tabloids reported, and will neither dine with

the king of Nepal oor have an offi-cial Nepalese escort. It was announced, meanwhile, nary dream, very vivid. It was very that Charles will give up playing strange, very strange. Very lovely, top-level polo so that he can "give himself more time for other en-

gagements." The decision means hat he will be cutting his links with Major Ron Ferguson, his personal polo manager who also happens to be the father of the Duchess of York. The duchess is separated from Charles's brother Andrew.

Buckingham Palace said the polo Woman: I watched "East En-ders" today. One of the main char-acters had a baby. They thought it was by her husband. It was hy

KHARTOUM, Sudan - The oo April 15, its first in 10 years, a

Auschwitz Plaque Stresses Victims Were Mainly Jews

WARSAW — A new plaque to be unveiled at the former Nazi concentration camp at Auschwitz will reduce the figure of those who died there by more than half and em-phisize that most were Jewish, Pol-

ish state television said Monday. The decision was made hy Auschwitz's international council, sees the site and includes members of foreign Jewish groups and ex-

"The latest research by scholars attached to the Auschwitz museum has shown that the figure of 4 mil-lion victims, established on the basis of fragmented accounts by witnesses, prisoners and SS right after the war, was untrue," the TV report said. "In reality there were between

1.1 and 1.5 million victims." The new main plaque will pro-claim in Hebrew, Polish, Romany and English: "In memory of the victims of Hitlerite genocide — Jews, Poles, Gypsies, Soviet prisoners of war and all who suffered and perished here while the world reained silent

day in New York. He headed the panel of judges that in 1976 dis-barred Richard Nixon in New

York state after his resignation as president because of the Watergate

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tionship between friends in the callaunching of her attempt to estab-Experts have expressed doubt that conversations of such clarity could have been captured by amalow, chattering, circles that Diana lish herself as an independent royfrequents. The new excerpts, while

scales somewhat. about the woman.

denied that the counterintelligence agency MI-5 or any other police agency has been capping the royal phone lines. The Australian broad-cast seemed likely to renew cries for

The material would also seem to raise the possibility of a much closer relationship between Diana and Mr. Gilbey than previously assumed. While the two engage in a lot of polite kitchy-koo to the parts

Topless Protesters Acquitted

The Associated Press KITCHENER, Ontario - Five vomen arrested for baring their breasts at a rally in July were found not guilty Monday of committing an indecent act. Judge Katie McGowan said the women's conduct had been "within the commu-

appea, all right? won't get pregnant.

another man. (Both laugh.) of feeling. Don't you like it?

Since the royal split, Diana has outstripping her dour husband. But

Sudan Sets April Census

Woman: I love it, I love it. gone on with her charity work and government will carry out a census continued to draw large crowds.

Robert Triffin, International Economist, Dies

Robert Triffin, 81. the Belgianborn Yale economist who championed European unity for much of his life and correctly foresaw the demise of the Bretton Woods international monetary system, died of emphysema Feb. 23 in Ostend, Bel-

For several decades, Mr. Triffin was at the center of the debate over the international monetary system. An ardent internationalist, he stepped into the limelight when he

warned in the late 1950s that the

Bretton Woods system was inher-

ently unstable and would eventual-

country could present the U.S. of bilateral trade and exchange Treasury with dollars and receive controls. gold at \$35 an ouoce. When the United States ran balance-of-payments deficits, other countries would pile up more and more dol-

lars, U.S. gold reserves would dwindle, and a liquidity crisis would ensue. but be mourned the demise of the system of fixed exchange rates of which he was a lifelong champion.

of books and articles. He was the

architect of European currency

ster movie series "Godzilla," died History proved Mr. Triffin right,

of respiratory problems Sunday in Toy T. Caldwell Jr., 45, former Mr. Triffin wrote a large number

lead guitar player and singer for the Marshall Tucker Band, died Thursday, and the cause is under investigation, a coroner said in Spartanill with influenza and bronchitis.

Ishiro Honda, 81, the Japanese

film director who created the mon-

burg, South Carolina. He had been Arthur Markewich, 86, a retired justice of the Appellate Division of the New York state Supreme Cnurt, died of pneumonia Wednes-

59, the leader of the Episcopal archdiocese embracing six West African nations, died Feb. 14, He was a resident of Monrovia, Liberia, and died in Milwaukee where he had gone for medical care.

Beaumont Newhall, 84, pioneering historian of photography and an ardent advocate of the medium, died Friday in Santa Fe, New Mexico, after a stroke.

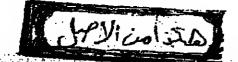
Yet, so far, the West has not given much of the \$24 billion promised by President George Bush and allied

and gave nothing," said Mr. Nemtsov, expressing a common Russian view, "And in my opinion, this is very ugly, because it is strengthening the communists and 'patriots' and undermining our president."

Western aid officials point out that the West has, in fact, given hundreds of millions of dollars in humanitative of the characteristic state.

Mr. Yeltsin seems to drift from one crisis to another, they say, stymied by a conservative parliament. Lax policies have triggered raging inflation, and the econo-my is sinking into a mire of corruption. The debt has not been rescheduled because Russia and Ukraine cannot agree on how to divide shares; nuclear power stations go unaided because Russia's industry is suspi-

Michel Camdessus, managing director of the International Monetary Fund, recently told the Izvestia newspaper that since Russia "abandoned" its prom-



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Health-Care Hiccup: Data Are a Decade Old

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WASHINGTON — In a setback to President Bill Clinton's effort to control health costs, federal officials have discovered that the government no longer collects the data needed to set a health budget for each state, as Mr. Clinton promised to do in the 1992 campaign. The discovery forecloses one method of controlling health costs and forces the Clinton administration to seek other ways of achieving the same goal, perhaps through direct federal regulation of prices

ing the same goal, perhaps inrough circuit and regulation in the health-care industry.

In the campaign, Mr. Climon said he would set a national limit on all health spending, public and private. Under the overall limit, he said, the federal government would set a health-care budget for each state and give the states maximum flexibility in deciding how to control costs and provide coverage for the uninsured. A state would

be free to design its own solutions, as long as it stayed within its But members of the president's Task Force on National Health Care Reform, headed by Hillary Rodham Clinton, discovered last week that the government quit collecting state-by-state data on

health spending a decade ago. The federal government tabulated health spending by state from 1966 through 1982, but has not compiled state data since then, apparently because federal officials did not need such information to run the Medicare and Medicaid programs, for the elderly and the

Thus, the study group members said, is said be virtually impossible to establish a reasonable budget for each state that can withstand legal challenge.

At the moment, they said, states have no reliable way to keep track of health spending ontside public programs like Medicare and Medicaid. Federal, state and local programs account for less than half of all health spending.

Foreign Aid Recipients Face a Cold Shower

WASHINGTON - When Foreign Minister Shimon Peres of Israel visited Washington last month, one of the questions he was asked during an appearance before a Jewish-American group was whether Israel was ready to accept a significant cut in U.S. aid.

Mr. Peres seemed unprepared for the question, and the broad grin on his face reassembled itself into a dour frown before he answered.

Israel, he said finally, has already taken a steep ent in U.S. aid, with inflation reducing the value of the \$3 billion it receives annually by 30 percent since 1985. "Give me peace." he added, "and f will give up

foreign aid."

While Israel may still be politically less vulnerable to foreign aid. cuts than most other recipient nations this year, the concern implicit-in both the question and the answer underscores the growing alarm that aid recipients and their supporters in Washington feel as the United States looks homeward in the aftermath of the Cold War, turning its attention from containing communism to coping with the budget deficit and a raft of other domestic problems.

The Climton administration is engaged in a critical review of the

\$14 billion U.S. foreign aid program with the aim of reforming the Agency for International Development.

But while that review is not expected to be completed until late April, a major debate on the nation's foreign aid priorities and programs is already getting under way in Congress. Even traditional supporters of foreign aid agree that radical change is inevitable.

No one, of course, expects foreign aid to be eliminated. To the contrary, the administration has already indicated that it wants to increase assistance to Russia and other former Soviet states.

Nor, with the Middle East peace process in a fragile state of flux, is a serious challenge to aid for Egypt and fsrael likely this year despite the fact that they together receive more than one-third of the entire U.S. foreign aid budget. (LAT)

Quote/Unquote

Carol Cox Wait, president of the bipartisan watchdog group Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget, on President Clinton budget: "It's an honest work-up of the numbers, certainly compared to what we're used to in recent budgets." (AP),

Clinton Offers Students First Lesson in National Service

PISCATAWAY, New Jersey — President Bill Clinton on Monday pledged to revolutionize college aid by allowing students to repay loans through community work, casting his ambitious national service plan as a 1990s version of the GI Bill intended to "change America forever and for the better,"

Starting with a modest 1,000 slots this summer and growing to 100,000 or more within four years, Mr. Clinton predicted that the program would make college affordable to everybody while setting off a wave of involvement in education, health, safety and environmental projects.

formally propose it as president. Congressional approval would be required.

The event was as much symbolism as substance, Mr. Clinton's lofty rhetoric aside, aides say many details are still unclear from how much a student would be able to borrow to how big a stipend to pay while young people work off loans.

Mr. Clinton's plan is designed to dramatically reshape federal student aid programs and offer young Americans opportunities - and incentive - to perform such community service as working in innercity children's health and drug clinics, tutoring in literacy programs and walking streets in neighborhood police

The president himself set high expectations for the The program was a centerpiece of the Clinton cam-paign, and he chose the 32d anniversary of President John F. Kennedy's creation of the Peace Corps to

He compared it to the GI Bill's offer of education to servicemen returning from World War II.

After a pilot project of 1,000 or so students this summer, paid for with \$15 million in Mr. Clinton's economic stimulus package, the president proposes spending \$7.4 billion over the next four years, building

Funding would then increase in the following years

based on demand and program results. One year of service would qualify students for two years of college loans. Eli Segal, the Clinton adviser drafting the program, said the administration had yet to decide on a borrowing cap.

Students could borrow first and enter service after graduating, or enter service after high school and accrue credits for loans.

Mr. Segal said stipends likely would be paid at or near the minimum wage, but that no final decision had been made.

Students who chose not to enter public service could pay back loans based on a percentage of their income, which Mr. Clinton said would encourage graduates to from 25,000 service slots in 1994 to more than 100,000

enter lower-paying but critical professions such as teaching and working in community health clinics. "National service is oothing less than the American." way to change America," Mr. Clinton told cheering

students at Rutgers University. "I came here to ask you to join me in a great

national adventure," he told them. Mr. Clinton said that the national measure would urge states to incorporate the areas of police work and

teaching into their service programs. Beyond that, he said, states would have broad discretion in shaping the programs.



Mr. Clinton chatting with a student during a bus ride to Rutgers University on Monday for a speech on his national service plan.

Away From Politics

The Clinton administration will defend at the Supreme Court the Haitian policy that President Bill Clinton said was both cruel and illegal during last year's election campaign. Since his victory. Mr. Clinton has refused to amend the Bush administration's stand barring the refugees.

 A new study contradicts the notion that body shape affects a woman's risk for breast cancer. Women should focus more on controlling body fat, researchers from Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center report in Annals of Internal Medicine.

• Only one bridge across the lower Gila River in Arizona remained as water from an overflowing reservoir washed across much of the nation's winter vegetable crop and into homes.

• The number of Americans receiving food stamps reached a record 26.6 million in December, the Agriculture Department reported. It said the economy and the onset of winter brought more people into the program. More than one American in 10 receives food stamps. The program paid \$1.8 billion in benefits in December for an average of \$68.40 per person.

• The amateur camaraman who made history when he videotaped the Rodney King beating testified that his first instinct when he was awakened by sirens was to run for his new video camera. George Holliday took the stand as the federal trial of four Los Angeles police officers entered its second week of testimony.

 A \$20 million settlement was reached in an age-bias case on behalf of about 900 former McDonnell Douglas employees who lost jobs during company cutbacks, federal officials said. The accord covers older workers who were laid off or forced to retire.

At a Cold War Postmortem, Ex-Rivals Name Folly the Culprit

By Paul Lewis

New York Times Service

PRINCETON, New Jersey - Former American and Soviets officials who helped end the Cold War presented differing views of this watershed event at a conference here that brought together former Secretary of State George P. Shultz, former Foreign Minister Alexander A. Bessmertnykh and many of their colleagues from the 1980s.

But the last generation of Cold Warriors, who gathered at the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs over the weekend, still shared several perceptions.

In the Reagan-Gorbachev era, for instance, both superpowers were committed to major arms buildups that they ultimately recognized as self-defeating.

Both sides agreed that the Chernobyl reactor disaster had given a powerful impulse to ouclear disarma-

ment around the world. They also said the personal relationship that Presidents Ronald Reagan and Mikhail S. Gorbachev built had been critical to the diplomatic understandings

"It created the human networks on both sides necessary for the disarmament agreements," said Anatoli S.

Chernyaev, foreign policy adviser to Mr. Gorbachev. But for Mr. Shultz, secretary of state from 1982 to 1989, the collapse of communism demonstrated the success of collective Western defense through the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

He also gave credit to freer trade, the reconciliation with Germany and Japan that the allies adopted after World War II, and to the revolution in information

technology that made the West's economic successes "Leaders oo both sides with courage and vision started known to all.

"The Cold War was a gigantic experiment between two different systems," he said. "Gradually our system just pulled ahead."

For Mr. Bessmerinykh, deputy foreign minister from 1986 to 1990 and foreign minister in 1991, the end of the Cold War was really the end of a much longer period of ideological rivalry between East and West that had started with the Bolshevik Revolution in 1917 and picked up again after a truce during World

It was his view that the Cold War was ended by groups of reformers around Mr. Gorbachev and Mr. Reagan who realized its wasteful futility.

"The Cold War was a gigantic distorting mirror that reduction wasted resources for military superiority," he said.

dismantling it because they saw it led nowhere,"

For the conference, the CIA declassified a topsecret estimate of the Soviet Union's ouclear capability in 1982-92, This document, drawn up in February 1983, helped to justify both the Reagan administration's arms buildup and its drive toward ouclear disarmament.

The assessment predicted that the Soviet arsenal of 2,300 land- and submarine-based missiles in 1983 would increase by 13 percent to 25 percent "over the oext 10 years" and that the oumber of deployed warheads would rise from 7,300 to between 13,000 and

21,000 by the early 1990s. But the predicted rise in Soviet nuclear power never came about, Mr. Shultz said, because "we got an armsreduction process going" and the new missiles were

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Back to Industrial Policy

Industrial policy has played a larger part in America's development than either the political left or the right likes to acknowedge. It is neither as new an idea as one side thinks nor as unsuccessful as the other claims. President Bill Clinton is following a well-established national tradition in his ambitious plans to promote technological progress. There are many solid precedents for the advances that he hopes to gain — as well as for the waiting pitfalls.

Mr. Clinton's program is driven by the useful goad of foreign competition, particularly from Japan and Germany. As he and Vice President Al Gore pointed out in their policy paper last week, American support for civilian research and development is notably weak compared with competitors'. Both government and industry under invest in manufacturing, they argue. Americans remain strong in basic science but they often lag in

turning it to commercial advantage.

Just as subsidies for the transcontinental railroads in the 19th century brought large public benefits, the president believes that federal encouragement now for high-speed communications systems bolds similar promise. Just as the Agriculture Department's extension service has contributed enormously to the productivity of American farmers, similar extension services can

bring crucial help to the large numbers of manufacturers who have not kept up with current technology. In a time when the need for weapons research has diminished, the president promises to devote some of the capacities of the 726 federal laboratories to

partnerships with industry.

The great danger in industrial policy is that it can very easily be turned into a mere disguise for subsidies to industries in trouhie, to protect jobs and shield companies from the results of their own mistakes. The president enthusiastically pledges to work with American car manufacturers to develop "a new generation of automobiles," running on new fuels and producing little pollution. One test of this kind of cooperadon is whether most of the money comes, as it should from the companies.

But it remains true that federal support of technology, both its development and its dissemination, has brought enormous strength to the American economy for well over a century. The enterprise has become haphazard over the years, and with the decline in defense spending it needs to be turned in another direction. Mr. Clinton is right to believe that, with modest cost, it can be reorganized to deliver greater bene-fits for American industrial performance. - THE WASHINGTON POST.

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rent debate over Bill Clinton's economic plan is how important deficit reduction appears to have become for a large segment of the American citizenry. Until now, virtually every study of pubbic opinion suggested that for the vast majority cutting the debt took a back seat. What happened?

Ross Perot put on a series of television commercials designed to heighten popular concern about the impact of red ink. Former Senator Paul Tsongas cast himself with surprising snecess as the Paul Revere of the deficit issue. The economic downturn helped both of them to make their case. The recession bred broad and deep doubts about the policies of the previous decade: The debt became a visible symbol of failure.

But something else has happened, too. In the past, most politicians who talked about the deficit did so in dour language, speaking more of the enormous difficulties America faced than about the possibilities that open if it manages to solve the debt problem. What distinguishes President Clinton's arguments about the debt is that they are suffused in optimism. His basic message is that there is no problem Americans can't solve if they set their minds to it.

The Democratic speech writer Robert Shrum has long argued that two streams of rhetoric battle for primacy within the Democratic Party. One, identified with Franklin Roosevelt and John Kennedy, is relentlessly upbeat, as in "We have nothing to fear but fear itself," or "I do not believe that any

Iran's clerical rulers have approved a

secret blueprint for the persecution of the

Baha'i faith that is appalling evidence of

growing intolerance. The sweeping code is

reminiscent of the sinister Nuremberg Laws imposed by the Nazis in 1935, which shred-

Some 200 Baha'is have been executed

and thousands imprisoned since the reign

of the ayatollahs began in 1979. But the assault on 300,000 Baha'is seemed to abate

after an outery abroad. Now comes revela-

tion of a code, prepared by the Supreme

Revolutionary Cultural Council on Feb. 25,

1991, that denies employment and school

enrollment to any Iranians who identify

themselves as Baha'is. The code calls for

expulsion of known Baha'is from universi-

ties, for punishment of "their political [espi-

onage] activities" and for blocking growth of the Baha'i religion and destroying its

These orders were signed by Iran's spiri-

tual leader, Ayatollah Sayed Ali Khamenei,

"cultural roots outside the country."

India Should Join the Club

India's continuing refusal to join the in-

ternational effort to curb the spread of

terrible weapons is alarming in a changing world. By rejecting calls to support the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty, India

risks being seen as a dangerous country. It is now just one month — and one step —

away from testing a new multistage rocket.

The nation is set to join the tiny number of

countries with the capability of attacking

others with intercontinental ballistic mis-

Last year, China joined the nonprolifer-

ation treaty after more than a decade of

resistance to the pact. The treaty may have

its flaws, but India would do better to join

the effort aimed at halting and reversing

In this way, New Delhi could work from

within the international community to win

changes it thinks are necessary. But stay-

ing outside the treaty, India effectively

promotes the spread of these weapons. India has legitimate doubts about the nuclear powers — China and Pakistan —

at its borders. The way to resolve these

siles. This is not a step forward.

nuclear proliferation.

ded citizenship rights of German Jews.

of us would exchange places with any other people or with any other generation." Neither President Roosevelt nor President Kennedy pretended that optimism in itself was enough. Both were relentless realists. But both also realized that faith in the future was a necessary precondition for action in the present.

The other tradition identified by Mr. Shrum is a more downbeat approach asso-ciated with Adlai Stevenson. This thetorical strategy tends to stack up the problems the country faces and to emphasize the depth of whatever mess it happens to be in at a given historical moment. Many liberals still revere Mr. Stevenson for his eloquence and a certain inconvenient honesty. But the truth is that hope is not only more attractive than

despair but usually more practical.

One politician who always understood this was Ronald Reagan. A onetime enthusiast for FDR, he gleefully stole his hero's optimistic tradition and put it to work for conservative Republicanism.

So far, Mr. Clinton has done a good job of stealing back the upbeat tradition for the Democrats. He bas made deficit reduction a more enticing prospect for a nor-mally skeptical electorate. Whatever the shortcomings of his plan and the obstacles it faces, he should hold last to the notion that Americans are doing all this to make things better, not to make themselves suffer. Mr. Clinton, and the country, have nothing to fear but pessimism itself.

who wrote that they "seemed sufficient."

And so Iran's clerical dictators now sanction

a witch hunt against a religion they despise as a heretical offshoot of Islam. The sole of-

fense of these believers is their beliefs; their

crime is to exist. Iran has yet to offer any

evidence of spying or any other lawless acts committed by Baha'is. It scarcely attests to

the mullahs' confidence in the appeal of their

own faith that they feel it necessary to extir-

pate a tiny dissenting minority.

A copy of the code was obtained by the

United Nations' special envoy to Iran, Reynaldo Galindo Pohl, who described it in

January to the UN Human Rights Commis-

sion. It is of some solace that this code was

kept secret, an implicit tribute to the norms'

of tolerance that Iran flouts. In 1935, Hitler

boasted to all the world that Jews would be

stripped of their jobs and their university

positions. It is a modest measure of moral

progress that Iran's indefensible code was

doubts is to join the treaty and talk

Getting the Haitians' Attention

Christopher refers in public to Haiti's crisis, he ought to be more prudent than the last

time. An "encouraged" Mr. Christopher saw as "progress" the de facto Haitian

regime's announcement that it would allow

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be applied with caution to Haiti. To prevent

the reinstatement of President Jean-Ber-

trand Aristide, his ousters consistently take

one step forward, two backward. Repeated-

ly the military regime has performed this dance after reaching agreements with Mr. Aristide, the United Nations or the OAS.

The Haitian regime's latest tactical

change of mind should impress upon Washington — and the United Nations — that

Haiti's rulers respond to the threat of force,

- The Miami Herald

in this case a possible UN blockade.

Progress indeed. But the notion should

rights observers into Haiti.

The next time Secretary of State Warren

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

- The Bangkok Post.

marked "confidential."

-THE WASHINGTON POST.

OPINION



Using the United Nations as a Dumping Ground

WASHINGTON — It used to be that the dirty work of American foreign policy was assigned to the CIA — the sort of business, like anti-Soviet covert operations, that was thought to be essential but that the government did not wish to take on up front. With the passing of the Cold War there is less of that to be done, but other hard cases linger, of which Yngoslavia is currently the most conspienous. Now, however, they are more likely to be brought our into the light of day and assigned to the United Nations.

An important American purpose is being served by this odd instinutional progression: to spread the burden and avoid sole responsibility.
President Bill Clinton's show of bedged activism

is following this pattern.

There is visible, too, an intention to make a virtue out of the very process of international diplomacy. Some enthusiasts — not Mr. Clinton -may even be more interested in the example of consultation in Bosnia than in the outcome that the process is producing there.

But the outcome is central. Designers of the United Nations' 10-province Bosnia plan see in it the hope, the only hope, to stop the war and the killing and to keep the war from spreading. They

regard this as a goal that needs no apology.

With no bitle pride in their handiwork, they challenge critics to say what alternative policy might have been created out of the poor materials the nations of the world brought to them. The world body was not handed the case until disintegration was far advanced. And no force was made available to help Muslims even the odds against preponderant Serbian and Croatian arms.

But surely it is not sheer sentimentality to By Stephen S. Rosenfeld

think that the United Nations was meant for better things than carrying the can for the eva-

sions of sovereign states.

Much is said, and in some rapture, to the effect that finally the United Nations is doing these days what its high-minded founders had in mind in establishing a body to keep the international peace. You can say the United Nations had the truly difficult double task not only of saving Muslims in Bosaia but — this is often lost sight of — of providing an acceptable political place for Serbian minorities there and in Crostia.

Still, in Bosnia the United Nations' name and prestige adorn a rank political deal. It leaves much Serbian aggression unreversed and unpunished and much Muslim agony unrequited. It appears to confound the prospect of effective policing by the means most likely to be available. It may even seed the next Balkan war as Muslims

gather over time for justice and revenge.

The United Nations' connection to Bosnia's Muslims is painful. The Muslims are the party most in need of the United Nations' rescue. Yet seeing that the United Nations has been unable to keep them from being butchered and approofed, they display little loyalty in return. On the contrary, they feel betrayed.

To the United Nations' horror, desperate and

cynical Muslim units have fired mortars from a hospital, provoking a typically merciless Serbian response that Muslims then demounced as Serbian degeneracy. Muslims have sought to enlist the United Nations to police Serbian units but not their own. This angers UN officials, whose focus

has brought the organization to this tortured pass. Nor is it its secretary-general, who has ambitions for the institution but not independent anthority. It is the collective decisions of the UN membership, especially the top dogs. This makes it idle to think that the United Nations, to avoid tarnish, could have stayed out of Yugoslavis. The

Yugoslavia's Catholic voices, lit the fuse by granting recognition to some constituent republics, notably Croatia, before fair provision had been made to protect the rights of the resident Serbian minorities. Thence flowed the subsequent horrors, including the Serbs' own continu-

United Nations as a dumping ground for its members' political mistakes. What number of

on their own neutral medianor's role visibly shrinks their empathy for what Muslims see as a mortal struggle for their very survival. It is not some abstract disembodied "UN" that

members for their own reasons engaged it—and engaged it in the pinched way we see today.

I happen to think that Germany is more responsible for the form engagement took than any other outside state. The Germans, attentive to

quant horrors, including the Serbs own continuing disproportionate and monstrous acts.

The United Nations is doing a mean job—the job its masters bid it to do. This is the way it used to be with the CIA. Only when the regular agencies had failed — in dealing with Fidel Castro, for example — was it called in.

It will take time to tote up the costs of using the United Nations as a domain account for its

small and not so small nations are going to redou-ble their determination not to have to depend on the United Nations for their ultimate security? The Washington Post.

Paradigms: Laissez-Faire Is Out, State Action Is In

WASHINGTON — What is Al Gore's favorite book? Accord-ing to a recent magazine profile, it is "The Structure of Scientific Revolutions," by Thomas S. Kuhn, In a sense it is an inevitable choice. Everyone of Mr. Gore's age, education and reform-ist outlook, certainly including Bill Clinton, knows about this book, which

in which prevailing ideas change.

Its basic point is that people typically go for years and years believing one thing — the sun revolves around the earth, disease comes from vapors rather than germs - despite mounting evidence to the contrary. Then all of a sudden they notice the conflicting evi-

presents the classic model of the way

dence, change their minds and wonder why they ever believed otherwise. Mr. Kuhn's term for this process was "paradigm shift," which in the three decades since his book's appearance has become a cliche of the educated class. It must be especially

gratifying for the likes of Mr. Gore and Mr. Clinton, having talked and thought about paradigm shifts so ofthought about paradigm shifts so of-ten, actually to have pulled one off. For that is what 10 days of skirmishing over their economic plan amounts to. As a blueprint for saving America, the plan clearly has its limitations. For instance, Mr. Clinton could have gone for much more deficit reduction,

at not much more political cost, with steps like; junking most of the new "sumulus" spending; doubling the BTU tax and selling it as a straight auti-deficit measure; eliminating tax breaks that have no economic rationale and overwhelmingly favor the rich. The most obvious of these last is the tax-free waiver for capital gains at death; another is the unlimited deduction for mortgage interest.

Nonetheless, as a work of political and rhetorical positioning, Mr. Clinton's plan has so far been remarkable. The clearest sign of its effect is the manifest confusion among Re-publicans about how to respond.

The symbol of Republican rhetori-cal dominance in the 1980s came at the beginning of the decade, when Ronald Reagan breezily dismissed Jimmy Carter with "There you go again!" in their 1980 campaign debate. Mr. Carter, armed to the teeth with data and details, had absolutely no idea how to respond to this.

A colloquy that occurred two days after President Clinton's address to Congress could become an equally famous symbol of how the thetorical

advantage has changed.

Republican Senator Trent Lott of Mississippi had settled down for a familiar and apparently safe line of criticism: that tax-and-spend Clinton had not cut wasteful spending enough. He told the director of the Office of Management and Budget. Leon Panetta, at a budget hearing have in my pocket a list of \$216 billion in painless budget cuts," and then pulled out the paper and waved it around. When Mr. Panetta mildly replied that he would love to have a look at the list, Mr. Lott was paralyzed just as Mr. Carter had been. No one had prepared him for this!

Mr. Lott, according to the eloquent By James Fallows

deadpan of the Washington Post account, "folded the paper and re-turned it to his pocket."

Mr. Lott's case, like Mr. Carter's, shows what happens to political com-petitors when the rules of the game suddenly change. Mr. Clinton has helped bring about this change by altering two of the "paradigms" that have controlled political discussion of the economy in the last 10 years.

The first is the concept of pure laissez-faire—the idea that whatever happens in a free economy is by defininon the best thing that could have happened, since if there were any better alternative, market forces would already have brought it about. Few university-based economists believe this in its pure form, since so

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much of their research concerns the reasons why markets do not work the way they should. For instance: The imperfect "market" that sets executive salaries consists of boards of directors, many of whom are friends of the excoutives in question or are executives of

other companies themselves. Economic historians — such as William Lazonick of Columbia and Thomas McCraw of Harvard - are especially skeptical of strict laisserfaire. They know, as most politicians do not, that the first 175 years of U.S. economic expansion, from the Revo-lution through World War II, coin-cided with very high tariffs, extensive state intervention and other policies that according to laissez-faire logic

cannot possibly make sense.
But the Chiff's Notes version of economics that filters inm politics through speeches, columns, newspa-per editorials—has for the last decade taken the simple view of laissez-faire as generally and self-evidently true. In a televised debate six months ago, Representative Richard Armey of

Texas, now chairman of the House Republican Conference Committee, scoffed at the idea that the European bureaucrats in charge of Airbus could ever pose problems for creative U.S. interpreneurs like those at Boeing.
Throughout the Bush administration, the laissez-faire concept was in

the classic late stages before a "paradigm shift. The president and his advisers talked as if they still believed the pure theory as presented in Wall Street Journal editorials, but they acted as if they were starting to read the American Prospect. For instance, while denouncing "industrial policy," the administration applied one to the semiconductor industry by sponsoring the industrial consortium called Sematech and agreeing on market shares with the Japanese. Mr. Clinton has completed the

shifting process in a way that Thomas Knhn would immediately have recognized: He has acted as if the debat had already ended and no one really believed the old ideas anymore. In proposing a variety of high-tech initiatives, he did not stop to argue

whether they could, as a hypothe matter, ever have any beneficial effect. He took it for granted that they could, and instead skipped ahead to exactly how governments can encourage high-tech industries without creating huge pork-barrel empires.

With the examples of Bosing and

Airbus fresh in the public mind, it is very hard for Republicans to argue that state-sponsored technology will-always fail and that, if others are foolish enough m try it, it will have no effect on America.

The second great change concerns the federal budget.
For 30 years, Democrats have squirmed under the accusation that

they could not hold down the lid on spending. For the last decade this has been the strongest rhetorical weapon the Republicans possessed.

Behind these objections was the idea that "spending" was like the federal budget in Franklin Roosevelt's day, when most domestic spending really was "discretionary" and went for relief, retraining, leafraking and generalized make-work. This was the concept summed up by the "welfare Cadillac" in Mr. Reagan's time and by Senator Trent Lott's "list" today. There is enough truth in the accu-

sation of Democratic indiscipline to make reining in spending and adding "responsibility" to welfare important credibility tests for Bill Clinton. But this is not where the money is. Sixty-two percent of the federal budget is now consumed by defense, Social Security, Medicare and interest payments on the debt. If there were an easy way to reduce any of these, someone would have suggested it by now.

The Republicans' great thetorical victory in the Reagan-Bush era was to make the Democrats' fondness for

specific programs seem responsible for budget problems on the large scale. Democrats tried to defend themselves by pointing out, accurately but ineffectively, that neither Ronald Reagan nor Geosge Bush had ever proposed a balanced budget. But this approach never worked until Mr. Clinton came up with his plan and his challenge: If you think we should cut more, tell us exactly where.

The effect has been that of classic strategic surprise: The opposition, disoriented, has been uncertain where to shoot or what territory to defend. Senator John McCain, for instance, appeared on "Crossfire" just after President Clinton revealed his plan. Like Senator Lott, he had changed. He crincized Mr. Clin-ton for not cutting spending enough but then also complained about "draconian" cuts in the defense budget and said he could not tell his "seniors in Sun City" to make do with more taxes on Social Security.

Martin Feldstein wrote a king article in the Wall Street Journal complaining that Mr. Clinton had not cut spending. Mr. Feldstein did not propose a single penny of his own cuts. Michael Boskin went on "Crossfire" to demonstrate - accurately, and with Perotian charts - that Mr. Clinton's plan relies heavily on tax in-creases rather than spending cuts. He advanced no plan for doing what Mr. Clinton had failed to do.

The Heritage Foundation is about the only opponent of Mr. Clinton's plan to survive the last two weeks with its reputation enhanced. The Heritage budget analyst Scott Hodge offered a plan that would eliminate the budget delicit by 1998, and he gave the details.

Whether anyone would feel com-lortable running on or enacting this platform is another matter. It involves ightening of veterans' benefits, farm programs, aid to Israel, student loans and other sacred cows, plus lunge un-specified savings in federal "over-head" and Medicare reforms. Still, this is a real and relatively honest plan.

There are obvious tricks and weaknesses in Mr. Clinton's plan - but

then there were more tricks and weaknesses in Mr. Reagan's supply-side proposals. That did not keep Mr. Rea-gan from changing the landscape of political ideas — the "paradigm." in Clinton-era terms. For now, Mr. Clin-ton segments have changed it had ton seems to have changed it back

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The Doctor Shouldn't Be a Killer

By Walter Reich

WASHINGTON — In the Netherlands, one of the most immen nations on earth, the parliament mane nations on earin, the parliament has given physicians, members of one of the most humane professions on earth, permission to kill their patients. Physicians still have to follow rules. The parient must ask for death, must not be depressed when asking for it, must be well informed about his illness and options and must feel that his must be well informed about his illness and options and must feel that his
suffering is unacceptable. The physician must consult a colleague before
doing the deed, and, having done it,
must inform the authorities why he
was justified in doing it.
In 1990, one out of 50 deaths in the
Netherlands was the result of manu-

Netherlands was the result of mercy killing carried out in a country in which ever more physicians were pre-pared to perform enthantsia and in which the authorities did not enforce existing laws against it. Last year the number of such killings rose markedJan State

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ly. Now it may skyrocket.
You do not have to be religious to lament the new law. All you have to be is human and alive.

All you have to understand is that a patient, no matter how ill or de-spondent, is still human and still alive, and that killing that patient, no

alive, and that killing that patient, no matter what the law says or what the circumstances are, is still killing. People kill without benefit of the law every day. Soldiers kill other soldiers legally. But societies can experience such killings and remain essentially decent. It is when they legalize the killing of their own innocent members that they remove an obstacle which blocks the all too easy slide of civilization into moral chaos.

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Is the Netherlands about to join
Nazi Germany by sliding into the
hell of Auschwitz? Hardly. Menbers of the States-General who vot-ed for the mercy killing bill did so out of powerful feelings of compassion for patients.

It is precisely because the Dutch have so exemplary a history of decency, and their parliamentarians so thorough a commitment to democracy, that the act is so troubling. It provides a model for the easing by a democratic nation of the taboo

against the legalized killing of innocent people — an easing girded by
rules that seem right now but will be
loosened, inevitably, in practice.
The spectacle of the formalized
and regular killing of such patients —
resulting not in one Dutch death out
of 50 but in five deaths out of 50, or 10, or 20, or even more - will have a computing effect on the value of life, not only in the Netherlands but also in every other democratic country. But the greatest impact of this spectacle may be in undemocratic countries, where authorities less humane than Dutch legislators ma

scize upon the Dutch example as a useful model without bothering to

set in model without bothering to set up rules to guide physicians in their killing work.

They may even provide rules that permit, encourage or demand all kinds of killing, beginning with the killing of people who ask for it and progressing to the killing of people who are said to deserve it.

Doctors in the Netherlands, like doctors everywhere, are bound by millennia of solemn oaths to preserve life. Their patients expect that commitment from them, and the physicians expect it from themselves.

To be sure, it is a commitment that can get out of hand. Sometimes physicians preserve life artificially and mindlessly in a manner that, solely because of the work of machines, keeps the heart beating long after the brain has died.

But going overboard, when it is done out of a genuine desire to pre-serve life if even the smallest chance of recovery is possible, is an essentially noble act. Even when it is excessive, it at least guards the central and classical values of medicine. Once the medical commitment to

life is undermined by legal sanction - once doctors trained to preserve life are no longer afraid of initiating death - then the very nature of the medical enterprise, and the very identity of the physician, is changed. The doctor loses the mission of caring for life and takes on the role of an amoral medical technician - one whose duty could just as well be to end life

as to preserve it.

That is a profession I want no part of. Society deserves better. Physicians deserve better. Most important of all, patients deserve better.

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IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1893: A Russian Scandal MOSCOW - Excitement has been caused in St. Petersburg by the dismissal of a prominent government official. The official had for some time past had intimate relations with a lady, who latterly received marked attentions from the repre-sentative of a South American Republic. Wishing to ascertain the truth of these rumors, the official caused a secret search to be made among his rival's correspondence. The latter, having been made aware of the step, called at the official's department

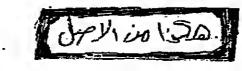
and a violent scene ensued. The Czar ordered the official to resign. 1918: Far Eastern Ally

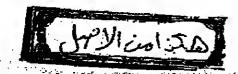
TOKIO - Attention is concentrated on the need to safeguard peace in the Far East against the intrusion of German influence through Siberia. In some quarters apprehension is felt about the possible activities of German submarines and aeroplanes oper-

ating from Vladivostok. There is con-sensus as to the necessity of taking immediate steps. Japan will only act after the fullest understanding is ef-fected with Britain, the United States and other Allies, and an assurance has been received from the Allies that Ja-pan will be allowed perfect freedom in safeguarding the interests of the Allies and peace in the Far East

1943: Citizen Chiang NEW YORK - IFrom our New

NEW YORK — [From our New York edition:] The city gave a warm welcome yesterday [March I] to the acknowledged heroine of the war, Mrs. Chiang Kai-shek, wife of the Generalissimo of China. The poised Mrs. Chiang, facing a hoge throng in City Hall Park, made a graceful success accepting honorary citizatispeech accepting honorary citizen-ship from Mayor F. H. La Guardia met several hundred "fellow citi zens," in a reception in the Mayor's office, and after a drive through Chinatown's twisting crowded streets, spoke to a group of her compatriots.





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OPINION

Filing Three Protest Notes From the Troglodyte Right

By William Safire

WASHINGTON -- On three stories of urgent concern to blacks, gays and women, I find myself turning into a right-wing troglodyte.

1. The second trial of the Los Angeles

police officers for their beating of drunken driver Rodney King is an af-front to the U.S. Constitution. The individual in America has a pro-

tection from prosecution called "double jeopardy": Once freed by a jury, a de-fendant cannot be retried for the same offense even if new evidence or a confession establishes certain quilt.

Nearly two generations ago, whites were regularly getting away with murder in state courts in the South. In that emergency, federal prosecutors used federal civil rights laws to punish crimi-

... In which the author takes exception with the new trial in the Rodney King case, the fuss over a gay-rights contingent in the St. Patrick's Day parade in New York, and a senator's 'scapegoating.'

nals set free by a corrupt state system. Double jeopardy was rightly overlooked because white defendants were not really in jeopardy the first time.

The emergency is over. A California jury found the police not guilty of using excessive force in the subduing of Rodney King. Now the officers are being tried again, on the outdated legal pretense that they broke a different federal law.

But the plain truth is that they are being tried again for precisely the same act under another name. That is double jeopardy. The trial diminishes a fundamental right of every American.

2. The organizers of New York's annual St. Patrick's Day parade - Roman Cathobes who believe that homosexuality is a sin — should not be coerced by the city into including an Irish gay-rights contingent in their parade.

The mayor beld that a parade calls for a city license, and that since New York law prohibits discrimination, no. parade can be beld that precludes par-

ticipation by gays.

A federal judge angrily disagreed. By the mayor's logic, every city-beensed gay gathering would have to permit participation — and publicity domina-tion — by gay-bashing skinheads. A parade is a traditional exercise of the people's right to assemble for the purpose of asserting some group pride or point of view. Short of stopping incite-ment to riot or interminable traffic tie-ups, government should butt out.

If gays want to join the parade as individual celebrants of St. Patrick, fine: if they want to parade as gays, give them a parade of their own, before or behind the Hibernians; if city officials want to boycott one or the other to take a position on intolerance, that is power to license should never be twisted into a power to enforce conformity to one opinion.

 Senator Bob Packwood is being turned into a scapegoat to absorb blame for generations of male rudeness and to give nervous senators a chance to align themselves belatedly with Anita Hill.

The Oregon senator is charged with grabbing and kissing women against their wishes on the average of once a year. In the general revulsion at this type of misbehavior, his longtime, lonely stand on behalf of abortion rights—which, along with his resistance to tax loopholes and unwavering support of Israel, made this Oregon Republican anathema at the Bush White House—

is dismissed as bypocritical.
As only Erica Jong noted, the danger to women today is far less from the gauche groper who retreats when re-buffed than from the office smoothie who backs up his proposition with the threat of blocking career advancement. Washington can profess mock shock at

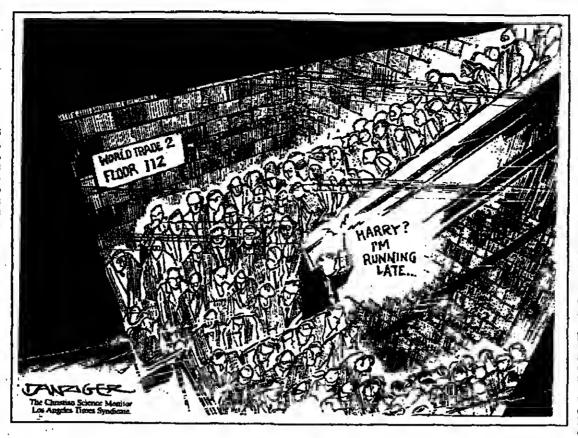
his unexpected kissing of a female report-er, surely beyond the pale of press rela-tions, but the senator did not control her destiny. Such hassling is offensive, demanding the apologies and admission of alcoholism already offered; but harassment is an offense, an abuse of power. The Senate Select Committee on Eth-

ics should focus on real sexual harassment. Were female employees hired, promoted or fired depending on their reaction to his advances? Or did Senator Packwood set an exemplary Senate re-cord in hiring a majority of women for his staff long before others awoke to sex discrimination, and did be help advance their careers on merit?

That requires a serious survey of all who worked in his office over 18 years, with fair comparison to other Senate offices. The ridicule of late-night comics and cartoonists, orchestrated protest from political opponents and the just for a scapegoat to carry away the whole Congress's guilty conscience are no ba-

As Mort Sahl used to say, is there anybody I haven't offended? The New York Times.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A Thirst for Liberty

I admire President Bill Clinton. But as Russian journalist, I was surprised to read of his plan to close Radio Liberty ("Cold War Radio Stations Head for Scrap: Heap," Feb. 22). Mr. Clinton clearly does not understand how important this radio is for all the former Soviet republics. It is even more important now than it was in the time of Mikhail Gorbachev and perestroika

Radio Liberty has always been an objective source of information about my country and has helped bring much change. Perhaps Mr. Clinton is under the impression that there is now real freedom and democracy in my country.

This is a great mistake. We are only beginning a long, painful journey.

Radio Liberty can continue to help.

For me, the assistance it can provide is more important than food aid. Without real freedom and democracy, and parficularly without objective media, we will never become a new society. PYOTR POLOJEVETS.

Oxford, England. **Profits and Profiteering**

President Bill Clinton has come down

hard on "profiteering" drug companies. Not everyone agrees with him. For most of the time since Vietnam was united in 1975, the government there controlled the price of medicine. Nobody made a profit. By the mid-1980s the country was suffering a severe shortage of all types of medicine.

Vietnam then freed up this sector of the economy; and the problem solved

itself within two years. . . .

Today, some of Vietnam's most ardent supporters of free-market reforms are doctors at the Health Ministry, and their patients. Maybe Hillary Clinton should listen to what they have to say before she makes recommendations on reforming the U.S. bealth-care industry. Making a profit may not be such a bad thing. THOMAS ROBERT BATE

Hong Kong. Reap the Wild Wind

Former President Ronald Reagan's comments ("Excuse Me, Mr. Clinton, I Must Have Misheard You." Opinion, Feb. 20) were doubly annoying in that the fiscal problems left to President Bill Clinton are largely the consequence of his own administration's profligacy.

WILLIAM MORGAN. Heidelberg, Germany.

Mr. Reagan is attempting to defend an ultraconservative policy which, in 12 years of Republican administration, lec to worldwide recession. He insinuates that the Clinton program is punishing those who worked hard and succeeded in the 1980s. While there was a boom in the 1980s, it was based mainly on bor-rowing, deficit spending and the dis-mantling of the welfare state.

The theory was that a reduction of taxes and of government intervention would spur investment and create jobs. But profits were used not to create new employment but to rationalize production and shed jobs. Instead of a demanddriven economy, the Reagan administra-tion introduced the supply-side economy, _favoring the rich at the expense of the

middle elass and the poor, President Clinton was elected to correct that. SALAH AYOUB.

Voices for Rushdie Regarding "Four Years On, They're

Still Trying to Kill Me" (Meanwhile, Feb. 9) by Salman Rushdie: To voice concern over the case of

Salman Rusbdie is a duty of all civilized people who care for cultural values and ho do not give in to terror. Four years after the ridiculous incite-

ment to murder from the Muslim messengers of God, Mr. Rusbdie's voice is louder than ever, thanks to your paper, British Channel 4, brave editors, fellow writers and last but not least numerous politicians and diplomats

All moral people should contact their elected representatives and remind them

JANUS AVIVSON. Case for Looser Wads

l appreciated Amy Dacyczyn's "Tips for All Those Whiners From a Compleat Tightwad" (Meanwhile, Feb. 18). As the editor of an environmental newsletter, I can see benefits other than those personal finance. But one thing: If a significant number of people lived like tightwads, our capitalist consumer economy - which depends on extravagant consumption - would go belly up. Think about it.

> RICK DAVIS. Japan Environment Monitor, Kofu, Japan,

They're Still Happy to Wait For a Moment With Jimmy

By Mark Scott

AMBRIDGE Massachusetts -Jimmy Carter is not too fashionable these days, but he is back. Daytime talk shows. The Tonight Show, Personal appearances. The publicists promoting his new book have earned their money

He was not seen much during the presidential campaign. No old photo-graphs of a young Bill Clinton meeting him in the Rose Garden were uncovered. There were few references to the

MEANWHILE

other Southern governor who made it all the way to Washington. And the only surviving Democratic president was not given much to do as the new erowd moved into Washington and took over. Instead, he was cited in examples of what a new president

should not do. But recently, 16 years after his election, Jimmy Carter was attracting big crowds to Harvard, signing copies of his latest book, "Turning Point." The queues extended around the block, as hundreds waited to meet a former president and plunk down their \$18.70, plus tax, for the book.

Jimmy Carter's tenure may not be seen as a time of particular glory for the republic, and the new book, on his first political campaign, is not expected to set any sales records. But, in the heart of Harvard, where resumes are being sharpened and submitted daily for the remaining Washington positions of power, people were still keen to bave a moment with Jimmy.

There was lots of reminiscing in the queue. "Where were all these people in 1980?" moaned one faithful follower, shocked at the horde in front of her and still finding it hard to accept that Ronald Reagan had been elected president, twice. Crowds auract crowds, and as I stood

waiting. I was questioned repeatedly by passersby. "Who ya waiting for?" they would ask. "Ohhh. Jimmy Carter! Here? Really?" And they would move on, or look for the back of the line. Only one of the dozen who questioned me smirked when be beard the name and only one needed to be reminded who Jimmy Carter was.

Word spread that be had arrived,
Slowly, the line began to move, Someone

from up front emerged from the store. triumpbant, waving his signed copy.
"Fifty dollars and its yours," he bellowed, \$50. He slowly walked down the line, dropping his price as he moved, \$49, \$48. He was at \$42 when be passed me. I could still hear him at \$37.

Some of those waiting were dedicated autograph bunters. "Al Gore was here a year ago," said one man. "I got a signed copy of his book. He was only a senator then. He won't be doing signings anymore." We complimented his foresight.

We speculated on figures who would attract a crowd like this. Even diebard Democrats among us conceded that

Richard Nixon, indeed Gerald Ford. could generate a similar queue. But evervone agreed that the lines would be much longer for, say, Madonna - if perhaps more sheepish.

There was more talk about Jimmy. He deserved praise for releasing the hostages held in Tehran, even if Ronald Reagan got the credit, said a supporter visiting from Minnesota. Another person had recently been to Florida and told us that the houses the Carters built with Habitat for Humanity stood up well in last year's hurricane, unlike those built by other charity projects. That made sense to us. Everybody thought that Jimmy Carter was a decent sort; the fact that he built houses to last seemed fitting.

There was some interest in spotting Secret Service agents. But only one was apparent, with earpiece for all to see. We canned the roofs of nearby buildings. but we saw no sharpshooters watching over him. Things appear a bit more relaxed these days.

Some vererans of celebrity signings sain that there was no guarantee that we would actually get a signature, as there were so many people. But the bookstore was fairly organized, and once the line began moving, it took us only about 40 minutes.

We trooped up the stairs of the store and were shepherded through the door. where employees took our money and issued instructions.

A lady told us which page the former president would sign. We filed by the Cookery section, made a bard left at College, to encounter a cluster of bookshop workers with serious expressions. I gave my book to the first worker,

wbo passed it down the line, to a final man, who slid it to the author, Jimmy sat at a small table, facing Children's Literature. He looked older and smaller than I expected. It was a bit

like meeting the Wizard of Oz. In a soft but surprisingly familiar voice, be apologized to the lady in front of me, saying that be could not sign a photograph: the bookstore had insisted

that be sign only books.

He signed mine, "J. Carter," and then slid it to an assistant who returned it to me, I thanked ber, and would have thanked him also, but be had already moved on to the next copy. I couldn't say that we actually made eye contact. Later I was told that this was a technique to ensure that he could get

through as many books as possible. Outside the store, a young woman relied that The House of Blues was offering a 30 percent discount on lunch for those with autographed copies of the Carter book. As an investment, it was already beginning to pay off.

The writer, an Australian, is a graduare student at Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government. He contributed this comment to the International Herald Tribune.

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WACO, Texas — A wounded cult leader and his followers let some children go but maintained a standoff with law officers on Monday after fierce gun hattles that killed four federal agents and two cult

The violence crupted Sunday when 100 federal agents stormed the Branch Davidian cult's fortified headquarters to search for guns and arrest its leader on

federal firearms charges.
Federal agents had practiced for days and thought they were ready. But after the raid on the religious cult's compound turned into a deadly firefight, the agents conceded being outgurned by firearms that blasted through walls and were powerful enough to shoot down planes.

The problem we had is we were outgunned," Sharon Wheeler, a spokeswoman for the Bureau of Alcohol. Tobacco and Firearms, said at a hriefing Monday.
"They had bigger firearms than we had."

The battle was the bloodiest in the 74-year history of the federal bureau and its predecessor. As an armored personnel carrier and a tank moved to the scene on Monday, the father and grandmother of David Koresh, the 33-year-old chief of the Branch

Violent Retribution

Punctuates the Sect

Believers Await Slaughter

Of Seventh-Day Adventists

By Gustav Niebuhr

Vashington Past Service

WASHINGTON - The history

of the Branch Davidians, the reli-

gious sect whose members shot it

out with federal agents in Waco, Texas, is marked by end-of-the-

world predictioos. frequent

schisms and a long war of words

with the Seventh-day Adventist

An internal power struggle led to a gunlight between leaders of the sect in 1987.

The Branch Davidians, head-

quartered in a fortress-like enclave near Waco, have 2,000 to 3,000

adherents nationwide. They trace

their history to the visionary

Davidians sect, went on television to plead for him to

More than 200 police officials surrounded the 71holding six to eight children hostage.

Federal agents approached the mulobuilding compound hidden in livestock trailers but were greeted by

large-caliber gunfire. Officials said they believed the cult had likely been warned of the pending raid. At least one agent was hit by 50-caliber machine gun fire, said Les Stanford, a spokesman for the Bureau of Alcohol. Tohacco and Firearms in

"The ammunition in a 50-caliher machine gun is the size of your average banana," he said. "It's a weapoo of war, not a little machine gun Clint Eastwood carries, but the kind on the ground with a tripod that they also use on planes to shoot down other

After the exchange of gunfire, the two sides oegodated a cease-fire. But about 6 P.M., three cult members emerged from the compound and began shooting. according to Mr. Stanford. The second shoot-out

As of Monday morning, no more shots had been

Relatives of Mr. Koresh, who was previously known as Vernoo Howell, told the KHOU-TV station in Houstoo that they wanted him to surrender for the sake of the 75 other people at the compound.

"Vernon, if you are listening, please, son, please give up," his father said. "There's oo more bloodshed. There should be no more bloodshed."

Federal authorities confirmed Monday that Mr. Koresh had released six children since the siege began. Mr. Koresh told a Dallas radio station that six to eight young children were still inside the fortified compound. He said he would release two children each time local radio stations aired a statement of the

"I gave them a message for the radio," Mr. Koresh told Cable News Network during a rambling 15-minute interview. "Every time they play the tape, I'll send two of the children out."

He added: "There's a lot of children here. I've had a lot of babies these last few years."

The group, founded in 1933 as a fanatical offshoot

fired as negociators continued talking by telephone of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, reportedly be with Mr. Koresh and another cult member.

Mr. Koresh said Sunday night that he had been shot several times by the agents who rushed the compound, which was believed to hold vast supplies of weapons.
Asked about his physical condition, he said that he
was not tired but was "getting pretty weak."

Mr. Koresh has been described by former cult members as a beer-drinking guitar-playing, charis-matic man who has 15 wives. He was born in Houston. raised in Dallas and moved to Waco to await the end of the world, they said.

Group members believe Mr. Koresh is the "lamb" referred to in the Bible's Book of Revelations who can open the so-called Seven Seals, setting loose cata-strophic events that will end mankind and propel the group to beaven.

The assault came a day after the Waco Tribune-Herald began publishing a series of articles on the cult, in which former members were quoted as saying that Mr. Koresh may have abused children of group mem-

- (AP, Reuters)

German Dies From Beating By Gang of Neo-Nazi Youths

HOYERSWERDA, Germany — A 22-year-old man who was attacked in this eastern German town last month by a gang of neo-Nazi youths has died from his injuries, the police said Monday.

About 40 "skinheads" attacked the German man on Feb. 19, beating him up before overturning a minibus on top of him, causing critical him to before overturning a minibus on top of him, causing critical him to be the said of the said of

The victim died Friday in a hospital. The youths had earlier demolished a concert hall in the town that was said to have been used by local leftist militants, and attacked its

occupants, according to the police. Six of the attackers were arrested and questioned. One, considered the leader of the neo-Nazis in the town, committed suicide two days later by

hanging himself in his cell. Hoyerswerda, in the state of Saxony, was the site of the first outbreak of racist violence that followed the reunification of Germany. Separately, 12 rightist extremists were arrested over the weekend in Halle, also in Eastern Germany, as they prepared to attack a hostel

occupied by people seeking asylum.
In nearby Zeitz, eight youths were arrested for vandatism.

Serbia Insists Blockade Of Danube Will Stand **Until Its Barges Pass**

BUCHAREST — A dispute be-tween Romania and Belgrade over a weeklong Serbian blockade of the Danube worsened Monday with 21 nigboats and barge convoys report-

ed stranded in ports.

Shipping on the Danube has been blocked since Serbian sailors strung 12 barges across the river Feb. 23 near a frontier dam.

The Serbs have been protesting against Romania's refusal - in observance of the UN embargo - to let two Yugoslav tugs, towing barges laden with about 39,000 barrels of diesel fuel, sail upstream

But both the Romanian and the Serbian sides in the quarrel stood

firm on Monday.
"It is clear that Romania must observe the UN embargo," said the Romanian transport munister, Paul Teodoru, on Radio Bucharest. He added, "And this is final."

A Transport Ministry spokes-man said that 2f tugs and barge groups sailing under Romanian, Austrian, Ukrainian, Russian, Hungarian and Slovak flags were stranded in ports along the river. But the head of the Serbian company operating the blockading barges was in no mood for compro-

mise. Dusan Strugar told Bucharest radio in a telephone interview from Belgrade: "There is only one solution to hit the blockade: Romania must allow our vessels to sail to their ports of origin. In that case we will free the Danube for shipping."
The barge blockade was briefly

(Continued from page 1)

bolder action by the Americans.

"In order for this to be a success

the Americans have to repeat the

drops over and over again," Mr. Ganic said. "That's the only way to

hit the target."

during the day."

laden with food, Transport Ministry sources said. There were these related devel-

opments Monday:

• In Geneva, Serbian leaders from the rebel Krajina enclave of Croatia met international mediators as talks resumed to end the fighting in the former Yugoslav republic, officials said. They said the Serbian delegation to the talks, marking a resumption of peace ne-gotiations in Geneva, was headed by Goran Hadzic, president of the

self-styled Krajina republic.
A Croatian delegation, headed by Defense Minister Gojko Susak, was expected in the Swiss city on Tuesday, but no face-to-face meetings had yet been scheduled between the two sides.

 In Paris, a Yugoslav restaurant was slightly damaged in a bomb attack, the police said. The unidentified attackers threw the device at the restaurant in Rue Saint-Maur. in the 11th arrondissement, and fired several shots at the building

from a moving car.

• President Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia has accused Turkey of pursuing an expansionist policy in the Balkans, a Turkish newspaper reported Monday. Mr. Milosevic told Hurriyet in an interview that the Serbian government was dis-turbed by "cries of war" in Turkey against the Serbs and felt threatened by Turkey's alleged desire to establish an empire from the "Adri-

atic to the Chinese wall."
Do not think that we are scared off," Mr. Milosevic said. "It is only that these kind of statements h lifted Sunday to let through the that these kind of statements harm Bulgarian motor barge Hantervel. our relations." (Reuters, AP, APP)

A wounded federal agent being helped by a fellow agent after he was shot while trying to search the cult's compound near Waco, Texas.

size of the blast and the success in attracting widespread

attention, they said, all suggested that the attack had been

"If the motive was publicity, they've certainly gotten

everyone's attention," said Bruce Hoffman, who heads a

terrorism studies group at the Rand Corp., based in Santa

As Mr. Hollman acknowledged, the missing link in that

theory is that whoever carried out the attack has not yet

As many as one-third of all terrorist incidents world-

wide ultimately go unclaimed, experts believe. But in many of those cases, the choice of target or similarity to a

Some government experts said that it might be too soon

The idea that terrorists always run out and confess

they could find. Everyone began to scratch away, aided only by the dim light of three beepers.

"My fingers were all bleeding," Mr. Fasullo

The job was made easier when one of them

"That was the first time I thought that we would

ripped off an elevator door to use as a battering

ram. The first small hole in the wall brought fresh

Finally, the engineers bashed a large hole through a wall into a bathroom. Most of those in

the group were able to wriggle through the hole,

except for one portly man identified only as Vinny.

Some pushed the man by his feet as others pulled him by his bead in the darkness, Mr. Fasullo said.

darkness to end the three-hour ordeal.

garage demolished by the blast.

The group then descended 44 floors though

As the others went to a hospital for amoke inhalation treatment, Mr. Fasullo, a 33-year Port

Authority veteran, headed to work at the blast site

-only to learn that his ear was one of many in the

air, and encouragement.

survive," Mr. Fasulio said.

for those responsible for the attack to come forward.

their deeds to the world is simply not true," a government

continuing campaign makes the purpose plain.

made clear what cause he was seeking to advertise.



David Koresh, the head of the was wounded in the gun battle. ing the few true believers from the church is an apostate," he added.

has followed it.

By Douglas Jehl

WASHINGTON - What is still baffling the investiga-

tors trying to determine whether terrorists were behind the

World Trade Center bombing is the effective silence that

Since getting atteotioo is a main goal of terrorism, the people responsible for such acts usually make it clear that

they were the ones. But in the aftermath of the bombing on

Friday at the World Trade Center, cone of the more than

50 persons who called to claim responsibility bave pre-

sented coovincing proof.

Yet, federal officials and private experts said the explo-

sion bore many of the earmarks of a terrorist attack,

including the size of the explosion and the choice of a

symbolic target. Although it came without warning and

apparently did not involve the use of plastic explosives.

they said, those facts certainly do not disqualify the

Port Authority Was Told

Garage Was Vulnerable

bombing from being a terrorist act.

NEW YORK - An anti-terror-

ist task force for the World Trade

Center told the Port Authority

eight years ago that the center's

parking garage was vulnerable to a

And although the recommenda-

tion was rejected then, Stanley Bre-

zenoff, the Port Authority's execu-

tive director, said that the agency

would oow consider such a restric-

uon and other security steps.
"Everything is on the table," he

The task lorce's report, made at

the request of the agency, said that

if a bomb went off in the garage, it could cripple many of the World Trade Center's key safety systems.

setting un additional electronic sys-

So the report also recommended

bomh attack and should be closed

The church was begun in 1863 by

some former followers of William Miller, who had predicted that Jesus Christ would return to Earth in 1844. Adventists, who can now be found in more than 200 oations and are known especially for their medical schools and bospitals and emphasis on health, celebrate a Saturday Sabbath and hold that Christ's Second Coming will soon occur. The church, however, does oot believe in setting dates for that

Angeles minister who was kicked

The Bulgarian-born Victor Hou-

teff was defrocked by Seveoth-day

Adventist authorities for asserting

he had been appointed by God to

"cleanse" the denomination of

false believers, according to Shirley

Burton, spokeswoman for the Sev-

enth-day Advenust Church, which,

is based in Silver Spring, Maryland,

Davidians are former Seventh-day

Adventists, the sect bas been

strongly disavowed by that church,

which is well-established in the

mainstream of American religion

and bas 7.6 million adherents

Although a number of Branch

out of his owo denomination.

event, Mrs. Burton said. Throughout much of their history, Branch Davidians have clung to a distinctive reading of the biblical book of Ezekiel, in particular, the passage in which an angel is sent to place a mark on the foreheads of the righteous inhabitants of Jerusalem to spare them slaughter by invaders. The sect has believed that the passage applies to the modern Seventh-day Adventist Church. and that the "destroying angel" Branch Davidians sect, said be will come among its ranks, separat-

tems, contingency and evacuation plans and increased lighting inside the huilding, said Edward J. O'Sul-

livan, a Port Authority executive,

whose office produced the report.

restricing parking and revising

control and power systems for safe

ry, were never adopted. Mr. O'Sul-

livan said in a telephone interview.

These systems were the same ones that failed on Friday after the

bomb exploded to the center's un-

derground parking garage, resulting in at least five deaths and more than 1,000 injuries and forcing

thousands of people to walk down

There was a whole series of

many flights of stairs in the dark.

things we recommended," Mr.

O'Sullivan said. "Would they really

have made a difference? Who

Still, most of the main steps, like

rest, said Bill Shea, a Seventh-day "So the relationship has been one Adventist researcher.

As a result, the sect, operating with evangelical zeal, has taken its beliefs directly to local Adventist congregations, passing out pamphicts in the parking lots and but-tonboling the faithful after services, all the while warning that the denomination's leadership is corint, both he and Mrs. Burton "They prey in a very parasitic form on Adventist churches and

Adventist members," Mr. Shea They feel the modern Adventist

"Fewer than half of the major terrorist bombings have been preceded by warnings," said Brian Jenkins, a security

consultant and an authority on terrorism. None was given

in the 1983 attacks on the U.S. Embassy and Marine

barracks in Beirut. He added that while terrorists have

used plastic explosives like C4 and Semtex in high-profile

airplane bombings, they have more often used less sophis-

terrorist," Mr. Jenkins said Sunday after officials con-

firmed that they had found no sign of plastic explosives.

ty that an employee's grudge or some other factor might

bave been behind the attack, and experts said such a cause

"Just because it's not Semtex doesn't mean that it's not

But authorities are continuing to look into the possibili-

But they stressed that their reviews of past terrorist acts

bombing than differences. The choice of the target, the official said.

NEW YORK - An engineer who belped build

the World Trade Center scratched his way out of a

dead elevator with a car key after an explosion

knocked out power to the 110-story twin towers. Eugene Fasullo, chief engineer of the Port Au-

thority, which owns and operates the trade center,

was headed to lunch with four fellow engineers

Friday when the elevator got stuck somewhere

billowing through the cracks. Within an hour, the

elevator's emergency power had run out, leaving

The engineers pulled panel walls off the eleva-

tor, only to find themselves surrounded by steel.

They forced open the elevator doors, only to en-

Because Mr. Fasulio, 62, had helped build the

center, he knew that the wall was only two !-inch-

So he pulled out a car key, a woman pulled out a nail file, and others grabbed any makeshift tool-

Soon the eight persons in the car nooced smoke

revealed more similarities with the World Trade Center

ticated explosives in other attacks.

remained a strong possibility.

of ongoing antagonism. Shortly after his defrocking. Mr.

Housest established his headquarters in Waco and named the sect the Shepherd's Rod. He told his followers that God would soon set up his true church in Palestine and that Mr. Houtest would serve there as Christ's lieutenant, Mrs. Burton

The sect has suffered periods of turmoil since Mr. Houteff's death in 1955. At one point, members expected the former leader to be resurrected, according to news re-

carefully planned.

Monica California

Knowledge Freed Elevator Victims

Florence, unsuccessfully predicted a divine slaughter of "wicked" Seventh-day Adventists and the establishment of God's kingdom among the true believers, leadership passed to one of the followers. Benamin Roden, Mrs. Burton said.

Mr. Roden changed the sect's name to the Branch Davidians and led the group until his death in 1978, when he was succeeded by his widow, Lois. The sect went through several years of trauma starting in 1984 when members split over whether they should be led by the ports and Adventist officials. In Mr. Roden's son George, or a new 1959: after Mr. Houteff's widow, member, Vernon Howell.

Mr. Howell - who was involved in the shootout Sunday - eventually established his supremacy, but not without violence. The rivalry led to a gan battle in 1987 between Mr. Howell and his supporters and George Roden, according to news reports. After the incident, seven of Mr. Howell's followers were acquitted of attempted murder. Mr. Howell's trial ended in a hung jury and the dismissal of the charges.

Before joining the sect, Mr. Howell had been a member for two years of the Seventh-Day Adventist congregation in Tyler, Texas. The congregation excommunicated him in 1981.

TOWER: Terrorism Suspected, but Silence Baffles Experts 'Plenty of Leads'

(Continued from page I) the former Yugoslavia. But the State Department has seen no evi-

dence linking the blast to "international connections," a senior official in Washington said Monday. President Bill Clinton, speaking in New Brunswick, New Jersey, sought oo Monday to discourage

Americans from "overreacting. "We've been very blessed in this country to be free of the kinds of terrorist acts that have gripped other countries," he said. I would discourage the American people from overreacting to this."

The 110-story twin towers were virtually closed on Monday. But other parts of the complex, about one-third of the total square footage, were functioning. Commodity exchanges, housed in the center's smaller buildings, reopened Mon-day after getting an exemption another country must; all interna-from city safety officials. One exec-tional air traffic to Belgrade has utive said a prolonged shutdown been cut off, would have halted billions of dol"All we he

lars worth of trades. offices to get computer tapes and fered, too."

main towers would be closed for One person remained unaccounted for on Monday. Another

missing person was accounted for very well." and safe Sunday night, far from the blast site. Subway trains linking New Jersey to the trade center resumed

running Monday, officials said. The bomb-damaged ceiling over the train platform has been removed, they said.

Despite the widening circle of clues, officials said they were not

ruling out any possible suspects — that it could have been terrorists, disgruntled or deranged former employees, or others.
One theory being investigated concerned terrorists from the Mid-

dle East seeking to avenge Iraq's loss in the Gulf War, the New York Post reported Monday. A shaken city, meanwhile, beefed up security at amports and

at buildings public and private. "If it is terrorist-related, then you have to assume that one of the weapons they're seeking to use against you is fear," said Governor Mario Cuomo. "What they're trying to do is disrupt the United States, starting in New York."

The airlift has provoked a variety of reactions. Although the airlift has the official support of the United Nations, some UN workers in Sarajevo expressed doubts about its efficacy, describing it as "political gesticulation" and an "operation Mickey Mouse."

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"Why don't they try during the day when everything is visible and they can see what they're doing?" he added. "They can be shot down by a missile at night just as easily as

AIRDROP: Aid Misses the Target

The U.S. planes, unescorted to Dumas said in a radio interview. emphasize the humanitarian nature of their mission, flew over Bosnia at night with their lights ont to minimize the risk of being shot at by any of the warring parties. A ham operator in Gorazde, which Bosnians had believed would

be the site of the maiden airdrop, said people there were disappointed not to have found aid on Monday morning.

The Americans should include some healing cream," the operator said. "We all have sore necks from looking up for them."

In Paris, officials welcomed the

"It's a good thing the Americans have joined the Europeans in an affair that interests the whole world," Foreign Minister Roland

"It is good. Brave, the Americans have come to lend a hand." Mr. Dumas said. "But let's not forget what the Europeans are doing." In Bonn, a Defense Ministry official said Germany was considering at least limited participation in the humanitarian airdrops. The spokesman, Hans-Dieter Wichter, said the government was investigating whether it could contribute a C-160 Transall cargo plane from the Luftwaffe.

(Resters, AFP, AP).

SERBS: Gesture, or Quagmire? (Continued from page 1) ment, making them more suscepti-

"All we hear is "Serbia, Serbia, Serbia," said Alexander Mitrovic, Bankers, lawyers and advertising a Yngoslav Airlines steward executives waited in line to be es- thrown out of work by the effects corted to their soot-stained tower of the embargo. "Serbs have suf-

other essential files.

Stanley Brezenoff, Port Authority executive director, said the two nomically. Hyperinflation is 200 percent in February, which is Weiis to ruin us and also the regime

here, the sanctions are working Serbian intellectuals who do not support Mr. Milosevic or his poli-cies also say the sanctions have hurt

the people more than the govern-

ble to government claims that he is not to blame. But some of these intellectuals

also believe that violence and hate have driven the battling ethnic communities of the Balkans so far apart that only the United Nations, with strong backing and troops from the United States and other countries, can impose peace. Some of them see the U.S. airdrops as a reason to hope that the Americans might now be more likely to get involved in the process.

"We tried to get the United States to intervene in 1990 and 1991, before the war broke out." said Radoslav Stojanovic, a professor of international law who is leader of the opposition Serbian Democratic Party. "Now, it is pret-

MAFIA: Not Measuring Up

innocence with gesturing hands and darting eyes. "I only bad a grade-five education."

"I don't know what Cosa Nostra is," he said. "I only heard people

What about the political kill-

ple," he said, referring to the growing ranks of Mafia turncoats who have given evidence to the authorities in recent years. "Once, there were anonymous

letters. Now there are informers," Mr. Rima said. "Once, anonymous letters were thrown in the garbage. Now these informers sign their depositions and they are allowed to leave jail. They get money and villas. I have never been a part of any criminal association, but neither

Australian Right Pledges Jobs Cure — and Taxes

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SYDNEY — The opposition Liberal Party launched its campaign for the March 13 general election on Monday. promising to cure high unemployment with sweeping

changes in tax and labor laws. The pledge by the opposition leader, John Hewson, coincided with new opinion polis that showed that the lead of his conservative Liberal-National coalition over the 10-year-old Labor Party government of Prime Minister Paul Keating had narrowed

One poll, published in the Bulletin magazine, gave the opposition 47 percent voter support and Labor 45 percent.

Another, published by the The Age newspaper, said the gap had shrunk from 12 to 5 percentage points last week. A population of 17.5 million people, 1 million are jobless.

third survey, in Time Australia magazine, put the opposition ahead by only one poiot, compared with six points a week

ago.
In launching his campaign, Mr. Hewson said his "recession-busting" package, with its cornerstone 15 percent consumption tax, would create full employment, restore social justice and raise living standards for future generations.
"We can solve the problems and we can solve them in the fairest possible way." Mr. Hewson said. "That's what our

plan does for the people of Australia."

Speaking to supporters, he added: "I personally refuse to accept anything less than full employment."

Unemployment is the key issue of the campaign. Out of a

Mr. Keating however, has rallied support by repeatedly altacking Mr. Hewson's plan for a 15 percent tax on most goods and services as well as the dismantling of the highly regulated and union-dominated labor market.
While the prime minister, who launched his campaign less

ment, he claims that the opposition's policies would hit the lifestyles of ordinary Australians without creating jobs, But Mr. Hewson, a former economic and property of the control of th government was indulging in a "scare campaign." He said that the the combination of tax and labor law

changes would make Australian industries internationally compeditive and would create greater productivity and more

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talk about it on television and in the newspapers."

"I don't know any politician," he answered. "I don't even know a secretary. For these killings you

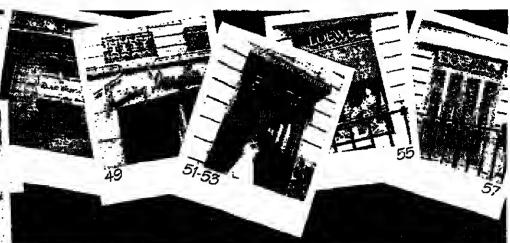
And what about the informers who had fingered him as the "boss of all bosses"?

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(Reusers, AP, NYT) will have to look in high places. have they."





Shopping the World Without Leaving the Avenue Montaigne

ARIS - Avenue Montaigne has become fashion's first pan-European shopping street. Next week Jil Sander, based in Hamburg opens at No. 52 a white stone temple to her sleek and luxurious clothes. It marks a historic moment when, plate glass for marble pillar, the grand old or spanking new names in French fashion are neck and neck with foreign fashion companies. "I think that Avenue Montaigne will have a

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great future and that we will ring in a new era," said Sander last week as she surveyed the store emerging from its construction site: blocks of white limestone outside and in, precisely sculpted lines, silver spotlights and deep windows opening onto the airy space carved out from a building that was once the couture salon of Madeleine Vionnet. In 1922, Vionnet was the first designer - well before Christian Dior at No. 30 - to open a fashion house on the imposing residential street.

On the block between Sander and Dior is the new Avenue Montaigne in microcosm. Oppo-site is Escada, from Germany, with a window full of show-off separates in chartrense green appliqued with hearts; next to Escada are the elegant leathers of Spanish Loewe, part of the Louis Vuitton empire in France. A gleaming Vuitton store flanks Sander's other side.

The black blinds on the long facade of Jean-Louis Scherrer at 51-53 conceal the clash of the old and new orders. Although ostensibly a French countre house, Japanese Seibu-Saison invested in the house and has ousted its founder and designer. Beside Scherrer, a skinny blue and silver shop is a shrine to the sexy, space age clothes of Thierry Mugier (French).

On Sander's side are the men's and women's boutiques recently opened by the Norwegian designer Per Spook, based in Paris, who has new U. S. backing. They make a thin sandwich for the fat Chanel boutique, emblematically French, although a mecca for Japanese shoppers. Clime (French) offers fashion at accessible prices.

More significant than the babble of tongues is the change of spirit in the newer shops. Per Spook has simple sportswear - graceful calflength dresses or jackets, pants and artist's smocks, displayed against pale cherrywood fittings and a graphic black and white carpet. Bringing a breath of fresh air to the other end of the avenue is Inès de la Fressange's slip of a shop at No. 14, painted in bright children's playroom colors, and selling basic clothes with a dash of wit, household linens and handpainted plates. The lifestyle mix seems more modern than just clothes. Why did de la Fressange choose Avenue Montaigne, as opposed to a funkier, more downtown area?

"Avenue Montaigne is a symbol of luxury and frivolity in fashion - it's an avenue of dreams," she says. "It is not representative of Paris or Parisian life, it's a cinematic view of fashion. The Faubourg Saint-Honore can be compared with Madison Avenue, and the Marais district with downtown Manhattan, the Boulevard Saint-Germain with London's King's Road. Avenue Montaigne, with its la-dies taking tea at the Plaza, is Paris as I remember it when I was a little girl."

Jil Sander is not nostalgic for the world of "Funny Face." She wants to project the grande dame Paris street into the next century with a new take on inxury for the "strong women, energetic women, intelligent, smart women" whom she believes are target customers for her discreetly huxurious tailored clothes, which are made in Italy.

"The couture houses are the long tradition but I think we will bring luxury and exclusivity in a modern way," she says. "French people say 'Jil Sander is very rafinee.' I am German. And perhaps trying to make something not fake and to take quality seriously is my German roots." Her ascetic bounique is as polyglot as the street outside; Its architect is American, and he has used Italian marble, Arizona stone, English

glass and African wood. The result could not be in greater contrast to the dove gray and gilded Louis XVI salon that Christian Dior installed in 1947. The Dior empire today includes readyto-wear and furs by designer Giantranco Ferré, elegant menswear, an imaginative gil1 department, luggage and the adorable outlits of Baby Dior. Under its wing, it shelters a boutique for the colorful clothes of Christian Lacroix.

There are other couture houses in the grand style. Nina Ricci took the building opposite Dior in 1979 and fills the corner store with pretty, feminine clothes. Emanuel Ungaro has his con-ture salon at the Pont de l'Alma end, and a bontique of brightly patterned, sophisticated outfits. Valentino, from Rome, has a swanky store with internationally chic clothes in cappuccino and cream; hiding behind is the conture house of the Japanese designer Hanae Mori. Antoine Gridel of Nina Ricci heads the Ave-

nue Montaigne committee that aims to protect the street from the invasion of fast-food and cheap stores that have blighted the once chic Champs-Elysées. It also stages events such as a flower festival in May and has held for the past three years a wine harvest festival - wine tastings in tented pavilions in front of the husury shops. That high-profile, high-heels event sums up the style of Avenue Montaigne, which is unabashedly an oasis of elegance in a backpack world.

"I can't say that I am overjoyed by the arrival of so many foreign houses," says Gridel. "But in the current situation we can't be too limited. These new stores may not be grande hixe, but they are a long way from the traders on the Champs-Elysées. We are very vigilant with our

The most depressing shops on the avenue are the boutiques peddling lake luxury: heavy 1980s glitz, with garish copies of Chanel bags and Lacroix jeweled buttons, and shoes with multicolored uppers and gilded beels. They are compensated for by the art and craftsmanship of Porthault, a store where bed-linen flowered, tucked, embroidered, befrilled is raised to an

The Bar des Théâtres, a convivial gathering place that de la Fressange calls "the American idea of a Paris bar," is one of the street's landmarks, along with the Théâtre des Champs-Elysées, now with the ultramodern Maison Blanche restaurant on its rooftop. There is also the Plaza Athenee, the neighborhood hotel, where the Relais restaurant, once the height of Parisian chic, now attracts a glitzy international crowd, as well as a few crumbling

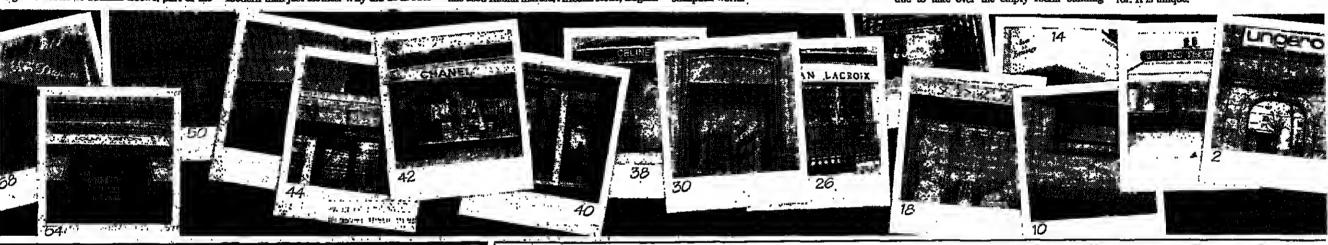
French ladies with big jewels and small dogs. incoming stores include MaxMara, purveyor of bland but beautiful Italian clothes, which is due to take over the empty Iberia building

beside the Plaza. Jewelers are also moving in. Bulgari from Italy (opened beside the Plaza in 1981) and the American jeweler Harry Winston, have been joined by O. J. Perrin (which took over the bakery to local chagrin), Cartier, a Chanel watch boutique and René Boivin, soon to open near Mugler. Paris sources also suggest that Tiffany may open beside Sander at No 50.

What about the butchers and bakers among the dressmakers, a mix that creates the urbanvillage charm of Paris? Avenue Montaigne has gone the way of all fashionable streets and offers more circuses than bread, although one scruffy, smoky bar still serves croissants and coffee, blue steaks, green salad and frites.

But come Sunday afternoon, the street is a peacock parade of postprandial strollers who want to walk up the avenue. Even the strutting, twittering lunchtime crowd of chic women proves that for all its international accents, Avenue Montaigne remains quintessentially French.

"In fashion, there are no French - only Parisians," says de la Fressange. "Paris must welcome everyone. The great names in fashion have always come to Paris - from Balenciaga to Karl Lagerfeld - and the people who come from abroad then become more French than the French. The Avenue Montaigne is like monarchy - you mustn't ask what it is or what it's



STYLE MAKERS

L. L. Bean in Tokyo DREAMS OF MAINE

New York Times Service OKYO - Just a few years ago, it seemed as if nothing could pry fashionable young Tokyoites

away from such symbols of youthful self-expression as Louis Vuitton

on thing could pry fashtop-drawer boutiques:

Since the doors opened on Nov.

8, the pace at the store has often
been like that of the first day of

ful self-expression as Louis Vuitton handbags and Valentino suits. recession-battered 1990s, and so the urban jungle in style these days, there is no better way than hitting the paved wilds in a pair of amphibious L. L. Bean boots, or perhaps a Bean fly-fishing vest. European chi-

chi has given way to what some see as the American basic look. The Maine-bred retailer has been received with a sort of all-weather, high-loft, warm-even-when-wet exuberance that seems to have surprised nobody more than the people at L. L. Bean. The cuttitier's ruggedly functional look has become, if not

an icon, at least the gateway to the Japanese pocketbook.

Bean has enjoyed modest but growing catalogue sales in Japan for several years. But the real explosion in sales occurred late last year. After Bean's two Japanese partners had prodded it for more than three years, the mail-order specialist final-

y opened its first retail shop outside of its outlet in Freeport, Maine. It opened the store in Tokyo, in the tony southside neighborhood of liyngaoka, sharing the area's pleas-antly narrow streets with Charles Jourdan, Laura Ashley and other

But times have changed in the are roughly twice the American pression-battered 1990s, and so prices — which still make them have the strategies of the well-moderate by Japanese standards—turned-out. If you want to navigate have done nothing to deter the throngs whose appetite for canvas, Thinsulate, Polarice and ragg wool seems insatiable, as long as the goods bear the L. L. Bean insignia. (When some shoes showed up with the name of a Bean supplier on the liner, Bean, at great expense, had to arrange for new liners to be sent here along with instructions on how to replace the offending ones.) Japan has just surpassed Canada to become Bean's largest foreign

market, and sales are continuing to grow at a brisk pace in spite of the recession — some argue because of it, since a somewhat austere look is now considered appropriate.

The Tokyo store is actually owned by Seryu Ltd., a big retailer, and Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., the huge consumer-electronics concern that makes Panasonic, Technics and other popular

brands. Bean licensed its name oversaw the design and sells the store all of its merchandise, but it holds no equity in the store itself. On a recent crowded weekend, it was easy to see why orders keep rushing in.

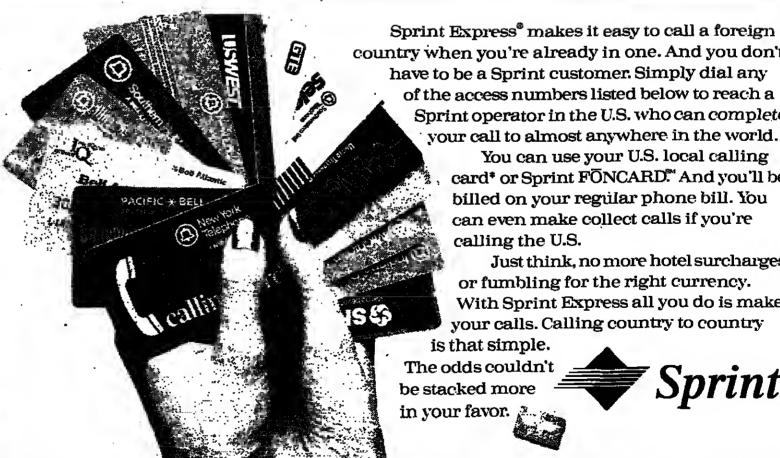
UKO Araki, a willowy 15-year-old attired in black ribbed tights, unmense laced black boots and a billowy white sweater, said she had had her father drive her more than an hour from Tokyo's north. As she perused a rack of purple and green parkas, she was asked what she found so special. With undis-guised impatience she explained, "It's kalcko ü," meaning "cool."

Sales are running 50 percent above projected levels. Another of the roughly 5,000 square feet (450 square meters) of the first one, is scheduled to open in July in the Shhijuku district of Tokyo.

If America is sometimes regarded by Japanese as a has-been, the L. L. Bean trend has tapped into an older image of the United States that of a wondrous land of wideopen spaces, individualism and, beheve it or not, rock-solid quality. "To them," McGeorge said. "Maine représents a lifestyle, a dream."

James Sterngold

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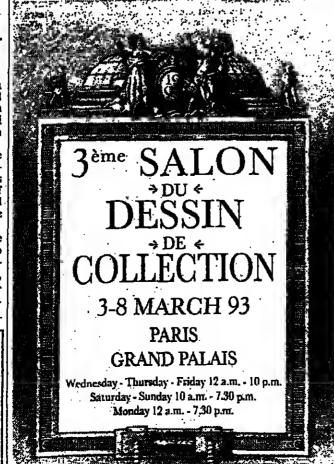
ARIS - The Michelin Guide has pinned its third star on a chef from France's ailing industrial heartland: Pierre Gagnaire in

Michelin added Gagnaire to the three-star list in its 1993 French restaurant and hotel guide, which goes on sale this week. The number of three-star restaurants is unchanged at 19, as Roger Vergé's Monlin de Mougins near Cannes lost a star.

Eighty-four restaurants - three more than in 1992 - won two stars. The number of one-star establishments fell to 488 from 502, which Michelin said reflected belttightening in hard economic times.

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CLINTON: Hard Sell Pays Off With Business

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meeting, some executives said. Mr. Clinton, then the president-elect, exhibited a broad un-derstanding of many of the nation's economic

problems.

"I have been impressed by this man," said Harold R. Poling, chairman and chief executive of Ford Motor Co., who has met with Mr. Clinton three times since the election, including at the Little Rock meeting. "In my meetings with him, he exhibited a broad knowledge of a wide range of issues. He listens very carefully and is very much a people-oriented person. He pays attention to what you are saying, and he takes the time to do it. That not only impresses me, it literally amazes me."

Mr. Clinton's theme of shared sacrifice.

Mr. Clinton's theme of shared sacrifice, which he struck in his speech to a joint session of Congress, has also altered many executives "The talk about shared sacrifice and fairness

had an awful lot of appeal to the population and to the business population, said Paul H. O'Neill, chairman and chief executive of Alcoa, the Aluminum Co. of America. Ian Arnof, president and chief executive of First Commerce Corp., Louisiana's largest bank bolding company, struck a similar theme: "My sense is they are trying to put as much on the table as they can and to spread the cost as

much as they can. His speech made a lot of A key test for many executives will be wheth-er the president's health-care package alleviates what has become a millstone for many compa-

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nies and to what extent it would be financed by a large tax increase.

"I know how much latel pays per employee for our health plan every year," said Craig R. Barrett, chief operating officer of Intel Corp., the semiconductor giant. "And by simple math, it tells me it will cost \$60 billion to \$100 billion to provide universal health care. That is a big enough number to make me worry, and it smells like a big tax increase."

But for now, such concerns seemed to be outweighed by the Clinton persona and the president's active approach to managing the economy, which is seen by some as providing aid long overdue to the private sector.

Mr. Barrett of Intel said, "The true measure will come when we see how responsive government is to being a fast-moving just-in-time government to the threats we in industry face. If government can't move the regulatory environment and the bureaucracy with the speed the business world needs, the incentives this plan is offering us won't mean much."

Indeed, even as business, like much of the

indeed, even as business, like much of the nation, seems ready to give President Clinton the benefit of the doubt and its support, doubts about the man and his program linger.

"I have one lingering uneasiness that the president's sense about what to do will be tempered by those who know too much about political suicide," said Mr. O'Neill of Alcoa. "I told him at the economic conference in Little told him at the economic conference in Little Rock be ought to act like he was going to be a one-term president, and that by doing that, he would ensure himself a second term."

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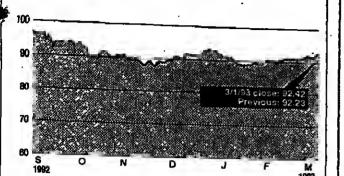
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Bangkok Investors Flee The Ripe Smell of Scandal

By Michael Richardson: emational Herald Tribune

ANGKOK - Thailand's stock market, severely shaken in recent days by investor concern over financial scandals, will need more than a strong dose of regulatory medicine to recover its strength. The collapse of First City Investments Co. in February has focused attention on the underlying health of the Thai market. So has the announcement late last week that Thailand's attorney general has again delayed a decision on whether to prosecute in a case that is seen as an important test of new regulations to prevent share price manipulation.

Despite a wildly gyrating performance in the closing months of the year, the Stock Exchange of

Thailand posted a gain of 25 percent in 1992 on the back of Despite economic growth of nearly 35 percent. Until the latest problems hit evaporated. the SET index, most brokers

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were predicting that the market would top 1,100 points by the end of the first quarter. It ended Monday at 910.52, down almost 2.9 percent, after plunging nearly 2 percent on Friday. The index a all-time high, reached in mid-1990,

Much of the recent bullishness has evaporated even though the country's economy is expected to grow by more than 8 percent in 1993 after adjustment for inflation of 5 percent. Robert Zielinski, head of research at Jardine Fleming Thanakom

Securities Ltd., said that part of the problem was that "the Thai economy is not well represented in the Thai stock market." The powerhouse of the economy is manufacturing, which ac-

counts for 26 percent of gross domestic product. But because many manufacturing companies are foreign-owned, or are so profitable that they do not want to go public and be forced to make regular disclosures of their accounts, they make up only 3.3 percent of stock-market capitalization.

Banks, finance and securities firms, and property developers account for about 58 percent of the market's value. Yet financial services and real estate contribute less than 7 percent to the

In 1992, these sectors had high earnings growth. However, 1993 is See BANGKOK, Page 11

U.S. Consumers Still Driving Force Behind Recovery

WASHINGTON - Consumers pitched to to boost the U.S. recovery by spending more for a fifth straight month in January but a key indicator of industrial activity lost some momentum in February, figures released Monday showed.

A 0.3 percent gain in January spending suggested that zestful holiday buying by consumers carried into 1993. But the National Association of Purchasing Management said its members reported weaker orders last month.

The February purchasing managers' index dipped to 55.8 percent from 58 percent in December — although the index is still higher than 50 percent, indicating that manufacturing is expanding. Robert J. Bretz, chairman of the association's Business Sarvey Committee. noted that stocks of unsold goods were low, an incentive for speeding up output, and order backlogs were lengthening.

Consumers have led the economy's pull out of the 1990-91 recession and were still doing so in January by raising their spending to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$4.23 trillion, keeping alive a string of monthly spending rises that began last September. Retailers enjoyed their best boliday sales season in four years between Thanksgiving and Christmas last year.

Spending on goods and services fuels about two-thirds of U.S. economic activity.

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The Commerce Department also released statistics on Monday that underlined the role of consumers in the recovery.

The trade deficit on a balance-of-payments basis, which excludes military sales, narrowed in the final three months of last year. But for all of 1992, the deficit swelled to \$96.28 billion from \$73.44 billion in 1991, as a reviving economy whetted consumers' appetites for foreign-made goods. Consumer demand helped imports increase by about twice the rate of exports, and made the trade gap widen for the first time since 1987.

The department also said that construction spending dropped by 1.3 percent in January after a revised 0.8 percent gain in December, the biggest monthly fall since August. But the drop was entirely in the government sector, while private-sector building activity was slightly stronger than in December. Single-family homebuilding, an indicator of consumer optimism about the future, increased to \$131.4 billion in January from \$129.6 billion in December.

Also during January, income growth outstripped spending so that consumers were able to save more. The savings rate, a figure widely watched by economists that shows savings as a percentage of disposable income, gained to 4.6 percent from 4.5 percent in December.

Europe Buys German Rate Hopes

Compiled by Our Stuff From Dispatches LONDON - European financial markets fastened Monday on a glimmer of hope for a German interest-rate cut, which lifted stocks and

bonds and pushed down the Deutsche mark. The optimism was sparked by a weekend comment from Helmut Schlesinger, the Bundesbank president. He suggested that a new, lower minimum for the reserves German banks mus hold, which came into effect on Monday, should

prompt a slight fall in money market rates. "The Bundesbank is undoubtedly on course in lower rates, but it's likely in be a slow, stepby-step process," said Peter Pietsch, a Commerzbank economist to Frankfurt. He added, "We certainly shouldn't expect a rate cut every few weeks."

On Feb 4, the Bundesbank lowered its Lombard rate, the effective ceiling on German mon-cy-market rates, to 9 percent from 9.5. It also cut its floor rate, the discount rate, to 8 percent from 8.25 percent. Both rates are applied on

short-term loans to banks that post various kinds of securities for collateral.

Hans-Helmut Kotz, economist at Deutsche Girozentrale in Frankfurt, cautioned that a rate cut was "pretty much out of the nuestion for Thursday," when the central bank's council is to meet, "even though many of the Bundes-bank's preconditions for a rate cut have now been fulfilled." Among these are a slowing in money-supply growth, and in inflation, al-though the 4.2 percent rate of year-on-year price increases in February remains far above

the medium-term goal of 2 percent. The European component of the the Interna-nonal Heraid Tribune World Stock Index rose 0.84 percent, to 92.92. Its advance was limited by the dollar's rise against many European currencies because the index measures performance in U.S. currency terms.

In Frankfurt, the DAX 30-share index rose 16.6 points, or 0.99 percent, to 1,700.95, a seven-and-a-half month high. Yields on 10-year German Treasury bonds, called bunds,

dropped to 6.59 percent from 6.69 percent on Friday, but traders noted that much of the

advance came in early trading. The pound benefited from the outlook for a German rate cut, rising to 2.3710 DM from 2.3406, and the Financial Times 100-share equity index gained 14.6 points, or 0.51 percent, to 2,882.6. Bond prices surged, cutting the yield on 10-year gilts, or government issues, to about 7.75 percent, down from 7.89 percent on Friday.

On the Bourse in Paris, the CAC-40 index was up 15.09 points, or 0.76 percent, to 1,198.80, and in London, the mark fell to 3.3925 francs from 3.3976. In the bond market, the 10-year French Treasury issue yielded 7.50 percent, down from 7.58 percent.

The best stock-market advance came in Milan. The MIB index scored a 3.52 percent gain, rising 40 points, to 1,176. Foreign investors were attracted by a weak hira, and there was speculation the government would allow creation of pension funds, which is did after the market closed.

Fixed-Rate Systems: Fated to Explode?

By Carl Gewirtz International Herald Indust

PARIS - One by one, European countries striving in maintain fixed-band exchange rates have been forced to abandon that goal - due either to the domestic dam-age inflicted by the high interest

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rates needed in keep up with Germany, or massive speculation re-flecting market doubts that they could sustain the pain.

Indeed, unless German interest rates decline sharply and soon, analysts warn that what remains of Europe's rate grid and the project for a common currency by the end of the decade may explode just as the postwar system of fixed rates broke apart 20 years ago this

Monetary System evolved from a zone of relative currency stability to a low-inflation zone dominated by the Deutsche mark, Charles Wyplosz of the insead business school in Fontainebleau, France, pinpoints the decision to eliminate controls on capital movements.

That was the result of the European Community's agreement to create a single market for the free transfer of goods, services, capital and labor by 1993.

"Complete liberalization of capi-tal movements definitively changed the nature of the system by powerstudy co-written with Pascal Riche.

"Exchange controls made com-

own inflation target. Protected by exchange controls, those running a of exchange against the mark. By higher rate of inflation than Germany could decide when to seek a realignmens

Exchange controls allowed a break in the link between national interest rates and and world levels. Without controls, market pressures can rapidly become unbearable, as events have shown.

"It's impossible to simultaneously have fixed exchange rates, free capital movement and autonomy over monetary policy," the study says. Two of the goals are possible, but never the three. Mr. Wyplosz fully reinfurcing the advantage of says. Two of the goals are possible, strong-currency countries during but never the three. Mr. Wyplosz speculative crises," he asserts in a and Mr. Riche call this "the impos-

sible trilogy."
In the European Monetary Syspatible the fixity of exchange rates tem, each country sets currency with a certain degree of autonomy rates against all others. But in prac-

over monetary policy," they ex-plain. Each country could set its mark has become the anchor as all alizing capital movements they effectively cede control over domes-

tic monetary policy.

The Bundesbank is the only central bank within the exchange-rate mechanism that is able to run an independent monetary policy because the mark is the only currency that freely floats against currencies nutside the European system.

The trouble with this setup is that Germany, suffering the conse-quences of bad policy decisions following unification, is a less virtuous anchor than it nuce was. Inflation in Germany, running at just over 4 percent, is double the rate in France, Denmark and Ireland the three members of the exchangerate mechanism having the greatest difficulty convincing the market of their ability to stay to the system.

The high toterest rates Germany needs to tackle inflation are strangling the others, particularly as the already high level of unemploy-ment and the low level of inflation call for a much reduced level of

interest rates.

This conflict between the needs of the domestic economy and the commitment to a fixed exchange rate versus the mark is the fountainhead of the recurring turmoil in the foreign-exchange market -- not unlike 20 years ago when it was the dollar caught in the conflict.

One way out of the dilemma is for Germany to rapidly slump toto a recession, which many experts believe is happening.

interest rates; they could fall quite sharply," an international monetary expert advised. "The Bundesbusiness cycle after a long expansion. If it sees signs of business conditions worsening month after month the argument for a significant relaxation in monetary policy will be strengthened." Whether the fixed-band ex-

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Signs of Disarray as Brazil Economic Aides Resign

BRASILIA - Brazil's economy minister, Paulo Haddad, and the entire board of the central bank have resigned, officials said Monday, to a fresh upheaval over economic policy in the government of President Itamar Franco.

Eliseu Rezende, the 64-year-old president of the state power company Eletrobris, was named to replace Mr. Had-dad. He becomes Brazil's third economy minister since Mr. Franco took office last October amid a crisis of inflation,

Shares on the São Panio stock exchange dropped 4.06 percent in heavy trading Monday on news of Mr. Haddad's resignation. Brazzhan debt also declined in New York trading. Mr. Haddad, 53, resigned Sunday, saying he was unhappy with the appointments of political supporters of Mr. Franco January. The bank president, Gustavo Loyola, and the fivemember board also announced their resignations, although they will remain in place until successors are found.

"It's another sign of the lack of a coherent policy line in the government," a diplomat in Brazil said. "I question whether it even matters who is in" the economy minister's post, "given the signals and cross-signals coming from the president," the diplomat added.

The resignations came amid differences over how to

contain hyperinflation, which last year pushed up prices in Brazil more than 1,119 percent. In February alone, prices went up more than 28 percent, after rising nearly 26 percent

Brazil's economy is suffering at the same time from recession, which resulted in a 4.7 percent decline in industrial production last year, and the weight of \$230 billion in debt, domestic and foreign. Only foreign trade continues to perform well, posting a \$16 billion surplus last year.

Mr. Franco wanted to impose a price freeze to avert an explosion of public discontent. Mr. Haddad, however, had said be was working on "preconditions" to stabilize the

The departures come amid differences over how to contain hyperinflation.

and argued that it would take 60 to 90 days for those

Mr. Haddad quit the same day a new team from the International Monetary Fund arrived in Brazil to review the country's economic condition. A \$2.1 billion IMF stand-by loan, which Brazil needs to order to restructure \$44 billion in

deadline for Brazil's creditors to select among a mix of Brady bonds they will accept in exchange for the bank debt. But Brazil's 10-year IDU bonds were quoted down I point

economy, tocluding refinancing domestic and foreign debt, preconditions to be mer

oans into Brady bonds, has been on hold since last year. The \$44 billion of loans stopped trading last Tuesday, the

at 57.75 on Monday, traders said. Brazil issued \$7 billion of

the bonds in late November as part of a restructuring of past-duc interest from 1989 and 1990

Brazilian newspapers had reported a growing rift between Mr. Franco and his economy minister and wondered how long Mr. Haddad would tolerate the president's public Mr. Franco last week publicly rejected an announcement from Mr. Haddad of a new currency in replace the cruzeiro.

On Saturday, the president gave his economy minister a virtual ultimatum to stifle inflation within three months, a task Mr. Haddad approximation within three months, a

task Mr. Haddad apparently regarded as impossible.

Over the past seven years, Brazilians have been presented with five economic stabilization plans. None has succeeded to containing prices for more than several months.

The new president and his succession of ministers have all categorically rejecting an emergency anti-inflation plan. But a recession can have no German at the same time they have been unable to find a way to keep interest rates; they could fall quite prices from rising out of control.

The government appears to have been overcome by paralysis, as evidenced by the fact that Mr. Franco has so far bank so far only sees a dip in the introduced no economic initiative of importance. Mr. Franco and aides bave been making appointments to

thousands of government posts, using them as bargaining chips with congressional and state leaders to gain support for the president's legislative package. Mr. Franco, then vice president, became acting president to October during impeachment proceedings against Fer-

nando Collor de Mello. (AFP, Reuters, Bloomberg)

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL FUND

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NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL FUND, a société d'investissement à capital variable organised under the laws of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg (the "Fund"), will be held at the principal affice of the Fund, Kansallis House, Place de l'Etoile, Luxembourg, at 11:00 a.m. on March 18, 1993. specifically, but without limitation, for the following purposes:

Presentation of the Report of the Board of Directors.

2. Presentation of the Report of the Auditor. Approval of the balance sheet and income statement for the fiscal year ended November 30.

4. Discharge of the Board of Directors and the Auditor. 5. Election of six (6) Directors, specifically the re-election of Messrs. Edward C. Johnson 3d, Barry R. J. Bateman, Charles T. M. Collis, Charles Fraser, Jean Hamilius and H. F. van den Hoven, being all of the present Directors.

 Election of the Audim, specifically the election of Coopers & Lybrand, Luxembourg.
 Declaration of a cash dividend in respect of the fiscal year ended November 30, 1992, and authorisation of the Board of Directors to declare additional dividends in respect of fiscal year 1992 if necessary to enable the Fund to qualify for "distributor" status under United

8. Proposal, recommended by the Board of Directors, to amend Article 15 of the Fund's Articles of Incorporation to delete the specific limitations in the nature of investment safeguards set forth therein and to substitute more general language. in order that all of the Fund's investment safeguards may be determined by the Board of Directors in its discretion, subject to the requirements of Luxembourg law and regulation. Copies of Article 15 as proposed to be amended may be obtained from the Fund at its registered affice in Luxembourg and are being mailed to all registered shareholders with this Notice of Meeting.

Consideration of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Approval of items 1 through 7 of the agenda will require the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares present or represented at the Meeting with an minimum number of shares present or represented in order for a quorum to be present. Approval of item 8 of the Agenda will require the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the shares present or represented at the Meeting at which a majority of the outstanding shares must be present or represented; if a quorum is not present, then at the adjournment session of the Meeting, approval of item 8 shall require the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the shares present or represented at the Meeting with no minimum number of shares present or represented for a quarum. Subject to the limitations imposed by the Articles of Incorporation of the Fund with regard to ownership of shares which constitute in the aggregate more than three percent (3 %) of the nutstanding sbares of the Fund, each share is entitled to one vote. A shareholder may act at any meeting by proxy.

Dated: February 18, 1993

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Kohl Presses Tokyo on Trade

By Steven Brull

TOKYO - Chancellor Helmut Kohl of Germany, applying a bit of pressure on trade issues Monday at the end of an otherwise conciliatory four-day visit, urged Japan to help conclude the Uruguay Round of global trade talks before the Group of Seven industrial

nations hold a summit meeting here in July.

In meetings with Japanese business leaders and the trade minister, Yoshiro Mori, Mr. Kohl said it would be insufficient to simply issue another statement calling for an early end to the trade talks, as was done at last year's seven-nation summit meeting in Munich. In his meeting with Mr. Mori, Mr. Kohl avoided direct reference to the sensitive issue of Japan's closed rice

market, although he did refer to agricultural trade.

Mr. Mori was noncommittal in his response. The German leader also told Mr. Mori that Japan should reduce its car exports to the European Community this year. On Tuesday, negotiators from Japan and the Community are to finish two days of talks to Tokyo aimed at reaching a common forecast for EC new-car demand, to help determine the level of Japa-

nese exports.

Brussels is pushing Japan to cut last year's quota of 1,185,000 units to reflect a contraction in the EC

market. But Japanese officials have said cutting the quota would be difficult, given the recession plaguing Japanese auto industry at home.

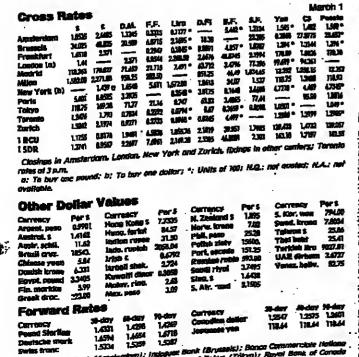
"I don't expect such a dramatic decline in European sales," Yoshihiro Wada, president of Mazda Motor Corp., said in an interview Monday. "We made a special concession last year, and it shouldn't become a On balance, Mr. Kohl's visit to Japan, his first in seven years, was surprisingly conciliatory, given Germany's bilateral trade deficit with Japan of \$9.6 billion

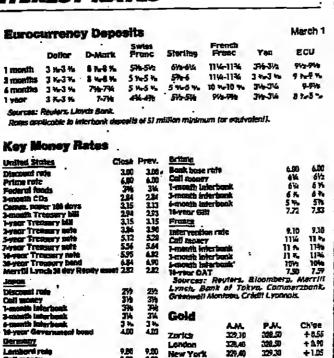
In meetings with trade officials Monday and with Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa on Saturday, Mr. Kohl played down trade matters to focus instead on developing a more substantive political dialogue be-tween the leading economies in Asia and Europe. He also urged Tokyo to step up its aid to Russia and

investment in Eastern German Mr. Kohl arrived in Seoul on Monday evening, the final Asian stop on a 12-day, five-nation tour that also took in India, Singapore and Indonesia. He will be the first foreign guest of the newly inaugurated president, Kim Young Sam.

He will meet with Mr. Kim and with South Korea's See KOHL, Page 11

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Payout Is Seen For Holders of Maxwell Notes NEW YORK - Maxwell Communication Corp.'s unse-

cured creditors are likely to receive 22 percent in 43 percent of their claims under a reorganization plan filed by the company's administrators, according to court documents made public here Monday. The estimated payouts are

described in the failed company's disclosure statement filed to bankruptcy court here. The creditors, mostly banks and note holders, could receive as much as 9 percent more, depending on the result of litiganon over the ownership of shares of Berbiz International

If creditors do not approve the plan and the company is liquidated unsecured creditors would receive between 17 percent and 34 percent.

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MARKET DIARY

Tobacco Stocks Take New Tumble

Bloomberg Business News NEW YORK — Blue-chip stocks closed lower Monday after tumbling late in the day, as computer-guided sell orders compounded disappointment over a report on manufacturing activity. The Dow Jones industrial average fell 15.40 points to 3,355.41, led

N.Y. Stocks

by declines in Philip Morns Cos. and Eastman Kodak Co. Tobacco stocks resumed their decline after Leon Panetta, director of the Office of Management & Budget, indicated the Clinton ad-

ministration may be in favor of limiting tax deductions from ciga-Imiting tax deductions from cigarette advertising.

Philip Morris lost 1/a to 65% and RJR Nabisco slipped to 8%.

Advancing common stocks outstripped decliners by a margin of 8 to 7 on the New York Stock Exchange. Trading subsided from the frenetic pace of the first two months of 1993. About 230 million shares changed hands on the Big shares changed hands on the Big Board down from the average daily NYSE turnover for the year to date of about 276 million. Activity

continued to be hampered by Fri-day's bombing and related fires at the World Trade Center.

lower interest rates in Germany

helped the dollar gain against most major currencies Monday, traders

The dollar rose nearly a pfennig

to 1.6548 Deutsche marks from

1.6460 DM at Friday's close. The U.S. currency gained to 1.5370

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and to 5,6110 French francs from 5.5880 tranes on Friday. But the pound, buoved even more than the

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right direction for the dollar right now," said Mare Chandler, senior

market strategist at IDEA, a con-

small cut left many investors looking for more. The president of the

Bundesbank, Helmut Schlesinger,

alluded to lower German rates over

meeting in London.

Germany's central bank out its

Interest rates are moving in the

ened to \$1.43% from \$1.4270.

and analysts said.

Stock prices were little changed most of the day, as a disappointing purchasing managers report gave investors little motivation to buy stocks, yet falling Treasury bond yields left few alternative investments to equities, traders said.

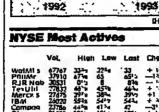
The National Association of Purchasing Management said its index of manufacturing conditions fell to 55.8 percent in February from 58 percent in January.

The purchasing managers report, coupled with remarks by the Bundesbank president, Helmut Schlesinger, that German money market rates are headed lower, triggered a nearly 1-point surge in Trea-sury bond prices. The yield on the 30-year bond fell to 6.83 percent.

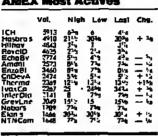
Stocks of companies that provide security guards, bomb-detection and related services gained in reaction to the World Trade Center bombing. Pinkertons Inc. rose 1/2 to 2014. Wackenhut Corp. was up 1/2 at 15%. Borg Warner Security Corp. added 1/2 to 21%, ADT Ltd. rose % to 8½. Barringer Technologies rose ½ to 3½, and Thermedics Inc. leapt 1% to 13½.

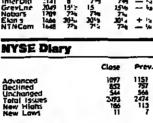
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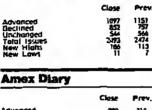
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Rate Prospects Buoy Dollar Against Mark Blannberg Business News still too high in Germany," said NEW YORK — Prospects for wer interest rates in Germany eign exchange at ABN-AMRO bank in New York. The cost of living rose between 4.0 percent and

> German states last month. High inflation associated with the cost of reunification has given the Runderbank the Bundesbank cause to keep German ioterest rates high, even though the German economy is in

4.9 percent annually in four West

The dollar also rose to 118.75 yen from 118.20 yen on Friday, helped by the G-7 ministers' silence on the ven. The dollar fell to a record low 115.85 yen on Feb. 22 amid speculation the G-7 would call for a stronger yen to curb Japa-

nese exports.
G-7 ministers made no mention of the yen's recent gains or of inten-tions to send it higher.

The dollar also shrugged off weak key discount rate to 8 percent from 8.25 percent on Feb. 4, and the data on the U.S. economy, traders said. U.S. construction spending fell 1.3 percent to \$430.8 billion in January, the Commerce Department reported. The National Association of Purchasing Management index fell to 55.8 percent in February from 58 fueled those expectations when be the weekend at the Group of Seven percent in January.

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A Silver Handshake for Robinson

NEW YORK (AP) - James D. Robinson 3d will receive a multimillion NEW YORK (AP) — James D. Robinson 3d will receive a multimillion-dollar severance package for his departure as chairman and chief executive of American Express Co., but the deal is less than he reportedly requested. Robinson, who resigned under pressure last month, will receive severance pay of \$1.125 million, equal to 60 weeks pay at his base salary of \$975,000. American Express emphasized he was entitled to that amount under its severance plan. The New York Times reported that the deal fell short of Mr. Robinson's request that he be hired as a consultant, a provision that would have given him additional income and the use of an assistant and a corporate jet, when he needed it for business.

Mr. Robinson, 57, also will receive \$825,000 over the next two years in exchange for agreeing not to compete with American Express or trying to

exchange for agreeing not to compete with American Express or trying to lure away employees or customers. Additionally, Mr. Robinson will get an annual pension of \$730,000 for the rest of his life, plus medical and

Milken Sings a Merrill Lynch Tune

NEW YORK (Reuters) — Although Michael R. Milken did little to win a big cut in his 10-year sentence, his tips have resulted in a government probe of Merrill Lynch & Co. for alleged securities fraud, The New Yorker magazine said in Monday's issue.

The article, by James Stewart, who wrote the book "Den of Thieves," which covered Mr. Milken's tenure as head of the hip-yield department with a count of the problem of a more than the problem of the country of the problem.

at the now-defunct Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc., examines negotiated that led to Mr. Milken's 1990 plea agreement and what caused Judge Kimba Wood to reduce his prison sentence to two years from 10.

Merrill denied any wrongdoing in the article, which appears the week

Mr. Milken's sentence officially ends. Although Judge Wood has been

criticized for cutting the prison term, Mr. Stewart wrote that she had no choice after prosecutors characterized Mr. Milken's cooperation as "substantial." The article says Mr. Milken told the government that Guarantee Security Life Insurance Co. sought to temporarily place junk bonds with Merrill Lynch, in an illegal effort to hide their ownership.

Citicorp to Sell Its IBES Subsidiary

NEW YORK (UPI) -- Citicorp Inc. said Monday it would sell its IBES database subsidiary to Barra Inc. of Berkeley, California, for an undis-

IBES offers database products generated by securities analysts. Citi-corp said Monday's sale agreement followed its "continuing program to build capital, including through sales of nonstrategic assets."

Business as Usual on Futures Market

NEW YORK (AP) - Futures exchanges that play a critical role in setting world prices for commodities from cocoa to crude oil regained a semblance of order on Monday following the World Trade Center

While 50,000 workers were barred from the complex's landmark twin towers, hundreds of traders worked an abbreviated session in the separate building that houses the New York Mercantile Exchange, the Commodity Exchange, the New York Futures Exchange, Cotton Exchange and the Coffee, Sugar & Cocoa Exchange.

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"Falling Down," in which a harried Michael Douglas gets back at the world in a big way, earned an estimated \$8.5 million in its weekend debut in the United States. Following are the top 10 money makers, based on

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5. "Sommersby"	(Worner Brothers)	\$4.3 mill
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Canadian Rail to Restructure

Dec 91

Bloomberg Business News

MONTREAL — Canadian National Railway said Monday that it would take a 900 million Canadian dollar (\$711 million) charge against its 1992 results as part of a plan to cut its work force and reduce its

The state-owned railway operator said that it would eliminate 3.000 jobs from its current work force of 32,300 during 1993. A further 3,500 jobs will be cut in both 1994 and 1995, the railway said. The jobs will be eliminated through early retirement programs, severance packages and attrition, CN said.

CN said the restructuring was aimed at saving it 650 million annual costs by 1997.

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New British Gas Breakup Plan Hostile Bid Tate & Lyle CEO Quits

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LONDON — The gas-industry regulator expanded on Monday its call for a breakup of British Gas PLC offering a plan to split the company into 12 regional supply concerns. British Gas, which has had a long-running dispute with the Office of Gas Supply, reject-

Robert Evans, chairman of British Gas, said the plan was "tantamount to a smash-and-grab raid on our business, recommending transferring business to other traders, mostly foreign-owned, and would cost the average household £166 (\$235.89) in higher gas bills.

Ofgas, as the regulator is called, has limited powers

at the moment because British Gas called in July for e Monopoly and Mergers Commission inquiry into the country's gas industry, analysts said. The company did so because it could not agree e rate of return on its transportation and storage business with Ofgas.
"It's gone out of Ofgas' hands and into the hands of

and Ofgas doesn't like that," said Nick Antill, an analyst at Hoare Govett Ltd. "That's why some of its recent pronouncements have become so shrill."

in December, Sir James McKinnon, director-general of the regulatory body, suggested that British Gas

be split in two, with the transport and storage busi-oess, which accounts for about 75 percent of sales, separated from the exploration, production, trading

and appliances retailing sector.

In the plan released Monday, Sir James recommended that 12 independently owned regional gassupply companies be established, and the gas-purchasing business should be spun off into a separate company. He said the 12 supply companies "would not have a monopoly franchise and would be free to compete with each other as well as with other

British Gas, which was privatized in 1986, owns three monopolies, Sir James said. It is a monopoly purchaser of gas, it owns and controls the pipelines and storage systems, and it has the monopoly right to supply 98 percent of all gas customers.

The new plan was part of Sir James's presentation the monopolies panel for its investigation into the gas industry. British Gas has asked it to allow a return of 6.7 percent on its existing business and 10.8 percent on new investments, while the Office of Gas Supply told the inquiry that the rate should be 2.5 percent to 5 percent for existing business and 5.7 percent to 8.4 percent for new fields.

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KOHL: Chancellor Applies Light Pressure to Japan

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prime minister. Hwang In Sung, on Tuesday for talks that are expected to focus on Korean unification, North Korea's suspected nuclearveapons program and access to the EC market for South Korean com-

Brandon Mitchener of the International Herald Tribune reported from Gütersloh, Germany:

When nations' talk turns to trade these days, Germany finds itself increasingly isolated as an advocate of liberal ideals, Foreign Minister Kleus Kinkel complained Monday, "We've felt an icier protectionist wind coming from Wash-

His remarks follow President Bill Clinton's first major address on trade policy Friday.

Germany's own guilt regarding the failure to resolve the six-year-old Uruguay Round of world trade talks, Mr. Kinkel said, was mainly e result of bending over backwards to please France

France's threat to veto the broad. global trade deal over dissatisfaction with its treatment of agricultural subsidies is "not a good omen," he said.

ington than we had grown used to,"

Mr. Kinkel said.

and Japan depends to e large extent whether this trip of world expression. wbether this trio of world economic nowers can succeed in harnessing competition constructively rather said. calling the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade a test of

> Despite traditionally strong ties, Germany is growing increasingly exasperated with France, "which we have backed up to the threshold of pain," Mr. Kinkel said. Both he

The domestic politics of no individual country can be allowed to bring the European Community into a confrontation with other big "The future relationship be-tween Europe, the United States trading blocs," Mr. Kinkel said

Raised for Tour Firm

LONDON - Airtours PLC on Monday increased its hostile bid for Owners Ahroad PLC, which the diversified sugar company. said the offer was still too low.

The new Airtours bid values Owners Abroad at £267 million (\$379.4 million), or 135 pence per share. Its original bid valued the company at £237 million.

There is a partial cash alternative nder which shareholders can get 121 pence per ordinary share for up to 56 percent of their stakes.

Owners Abroad shares rose 2 pence to 133 pence on Monday. "The final offers still fail to rec-

ognize the true value and potential of Owners Abroad," Chairman Howard Klein said. "This new bid is worth little more than Airtours' original bid on announcement. made in January. "The board believes that the

strelegic alliance with Thomas Cook and LTU will deliver far greater value to shareholders," he said. In December, Owners Abroad announced a strategic alliance with than letting it end in enmity," he Thomas Cook, a unit of Lufttransport Unternehmen GmbH, allowing Cook to take a 12.6 percent stake for £22.5 million.

> "Owners Abroad has not provided any explanation whatsoever of its poor performance relative to Airtours over the last five years and no convincing arguments wby shareholders should expect any improvement in the future," said the chairman of Airtours, David Crossland. "Our final offers fully value Owners Abroad," he said.

(Reuters, AFP)

In Management Clash

the chief executive of Tate & Lyle PLC, resigned without warning on Monday but stock analysts minimized the effect of his departure on

A company statement called Mr. Brown's departure "an amicable separation." Neil Shaw, who has been chairman, was named executive chairman and Paul Lewis, group finance director, was additionally oamed deputy chairman.

Mr. Lewis said Mr. Brown was leaving because of a clash in management sivies. Although Tate & Lyle shares fell 2 pence to 434 on the stock ex-

change, analysts said the reshuffle did not point to fundamental problems or alter the generally positive outlook for the company.

Tate & Lyle reported a 17.9 per

cent fall in pretax profit, to £189.5 million (\$270.4 million), for the financial year ended last Sept. 26, but raised its dividend and saio it expected a rebound this year. Edouard DeBoiselin, an analyst

Merrill Lynch International. said Mr. Brown's departure was

Compiled by Our Staff From Disputches not a major event, just a disap-LONDON — Stephen Brown, pointment.

As part of the management changes, two executives, Peul Mirsky and John Walker, were added to the board.

Mr. Mirsky, 46, will move to North America and become managing director of the North American sugar division. Mr. Walker, 48, becomes managing director of the Europe sugar division.

Analysts said the two men added to the company's pool of talented younger senior managers, any of whom might eventually be named Mr. Brown's successor.

For the time being, Tate & Lyle has an experienced hand in Mr. Shaw, who analysts said had been instrumental in transforming the company from a family-owned en-

resprise fraught with problems.

"Shaw was the architect of Tate & Lyle's success in the 1980s," said Julian Lakin, an analyst at Smith New Court. He said the management changes "do not affect my long-term perspective on the company at all." He rates the shares 6 "firm bold."

(AFX, Reuters)

Fokker Weighs Production Cutback

AMSTERDAM - Fokker, the Dutch plane maker, is conducting a

study to cut back its production of 50-seat and 100-seat planes, a company spokesman said Monday. "The market's developed in a way that won't allow us to keep production at old levels," the spokesman said. The study, which should be complete within the next three weeks, is looking et the possibility of reducing production of 50-seaters to 20 planes a year and 100-seaters to

It is unclear bow many of Fokker's 13,000 employees would be affected by the cutback, but the spokesman said some jobs would have to go.

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 79.5 billion pesetas (\$67 million), from 104.2 billion pesetas, after extraordinary profit fell to 4.9 billion pesetas from 23.0 billion.

Arianespace, the European satellite-launching group, said it had signed a contract with GE American Communications of the United States to launch its GE-I communications satellite in early 1996.

 Nokia Group AB said it earned 288 million markkaa (\$48.2 million) before interest and tax in 1992, compared with a loss of 96 million markkaa in 1991. The Finnish electronics and telecommunications company said sales rose 17 percent. to 18.2 billion markkaa from 15.5 billion. VIAG AG said it expected to pay an unchanged dividend in light of its

provisional 1992 net profit, which showed a 9.5 percent drop to 370 million Deutsche marks (\$225.2 million), from 405 million. · Hugo Boss AG said it had appointed Peter Littmann chief executive, replacing Uwe and Jochen Holy, the grandsons of the company's founder. Mr. Littmann was previously on the administrative board of the floor-care and carpeting company Vorwerk International AG.

 European automakers asked the EC Commission to streamline car taxes across the European Community in an attempt to eliminate price differ-

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BANGKOK: Investors Flee the Smell of Scandal

(Continued from first finance page) expected to be e much more diffi-

cult year for them. A construction boom in Thailand over the past few years bas left the real estate market oversupplied in almost all areas.

Jardine Fleming projects that average earnings of listed banks will slip to a 15 percent growth rate in 1993 from 27 percent in 1992.

Francis Middlehurst, research manager in the Bangkok representative office of Crosby Securities, said that earnings growth for the market as a whole in 1993 was likely to be around 11 percent, less than one-third of the 1992 rate. " According to brokers' estimates, foreign fund managers hold beThai stocks, forming e reasonably stable core for the market. Thai fund managers may hold another 3

But much of the trading activity is accounted for hy some 600,000 individual Thai investors, from housewives to big-time speculators, who tend to treat the stock market as a casino. Many buy "oo margin" by borrowing up to half the value of their investment from securities mpanies, which often have close

ties to finance firms or banks. Analysts said that since brokers hold margin stock as security and can sell if the price falls to ensure that their loans are recovered, the recent plunge in the market could become self-feeding if it continues.

tween 10 percent to 15 percent of They said that firm regulatory action was needed to restore investor confidence and price stability.

On Friday, the Bank of Thailand moved to reassure the market by orchestrating e government bailout of First City.

But Sripora Suthipongse, direc-tor of the Thailand representative office of Peregrine Brokerage Ltd., said that there remained "a big question mark why the bank and other regulatory authorities al-lowed the situation to develop to the point where First City col-lapsed." She said that foreign investors would be watching closely to see whether e case against Song Vacharastiroj and 11 others on charges of collusion to run up share

CURRENCY: Are Fixed Systems Fated to Explode?

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change-rate system can withstand the tension until that happens is

John Williamson at the Washngton-based Institute for International Economics proposes that until conditions in Germany stabilize the trading range of the mark should be asymmetrically widened from the current 2.25 percent either side of its central rate to 10 percent shove its central rate and 2.25 per-

But critics such as Richard Portes, head of the London-based Center for Economic Policy Research, argue that e 10 percent all the edvantages of the dyna trading band would undermine the part of moving toward union."

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"That's like telling a vegetarian he can eat meat and still remain a vegetarian," another critic charged. Another solution, assuming German rates do not drop far and fast enough to relieve the pressures, is for the so-called core ERM countries — Germany, the Benelux, France and possibly Denmark —

to move rapidly to mooetary union

and fix their exchange rates.

The five-year evolution to that goal covisaged under the Maastricht treaty was the weakest part of the whole construction," monetary official asserted. "It can't be stretched out so long; you lose all the edvantages of the dynamic

The treaty does provide for an accelerated calendar to monetary union, provided that seven of the 12 EC countries agree to proceed.

"Even if Germany were willing, so this solution would involve Maastricht-style power-sharing in a European central bank, and even if France were there, the creation of e northern European monetary chib would raise serious geopolitical problems," Mr. Portes warned.

There is here a potential political 'fault line' that raises many difficult issues," he said. "If it opens up, the southern countries will no longer be taken seriously. Conversely, the Franco-German alliance would under such conditions be a very unequal partnership."

Irish Trade Surplus Vanishes

DUBLIN — Ireland's balance of payments was wrongly calculated for six years and a cumulative surplus of 2.5 billion punts (\$3.69 billion) was virtually wiped out in revised calculations, officials said on Monday. But the Finance Ministry stressed that the revised figures would not

force a change in the government's growth forecasts for this year and economists said the revelation had no major impact oo the markets.

"It is imports of services by multinational firms in the main which account for the large revisions," the Central Statistics Office said. "The data-collection system we have been using up to a year or two back was drawing on figures put together by exchange control in the Central Bank." Ireland progressively dropped its exchange controls in recent years, with the last disappearing on Jan. 1.

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It was built according to original plane in 1846 by L. Persiue and J.H. Hébarlin. The former Gardens were designed by P.J. Lenne. The estate measures approx. 16,971 m² bordering on the the Bornstedt Lake near the famoue Sanssouci Castle of Frederick the Great. Approx. 5,740 m² are occupied by buildings, the interior apace measures approx. 34,600 m³.

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A magnificent historic building, formerly the Royal Taxation Office, in an historic area of the Royal Residential City of Potsdam, today capital of the province of Brandenburg

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China Resumes Compulsory Bond Sales

BELIING — China is reverting to the compulsory sale of government bonds after a record issue last year flopped on the open market, Chinese financial sources say. In an apparent setback to Deng Xiaoping's economic-reform program, provincial governments and state-run enterprises will be forced to buy this year's bond issue, worth 37 billion yuan (\$6.4 bil-

lion), starting on Monday. It is not clear whether ordinary workers will be made to purchase Treasury bills by having their pay docked, a measure that aroused resentment before it was phased out two years ago and replaced by

an underwriting system. "We have resumed compulsory sales," said an informed source in

the securities industry. This year's issue will take place over two months. It was rushed to market on expectations that good corporate results would boost the Shenzhen and Shanghai stock markets, where government bonds

GATT Talks Open in Beijing

BELUING - China on Monday pleaded its case to re-enter the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, reopening talks with U.S. trade negotiators suspended after its 1989 political crackdown. Tong Zhiguang, the vice minister of foreign economic relations and trade, said China was ready to rejoin the world trade body because it had fulfilled all the requirements by opening up its trading

system, Xinhua news agency reported. Sources close to the U.S. team said re-entry would not happen overnight because China had to take many measures to qualify for GATT membership. Too much of its economy was still dominated by the old socialist structures, they said.

are listed, financial sources said. The collapse of the underwrit-

ing system, started in 1991 and hailed at the time as a breakthrough in China's efforts to shift away from central planning, calls into question the government's ability to manage a smooth transition to a market economy.

Although the apparent reason is that the Treasury bond market is in the doldrums, financial sources said the return to forced sales was partly a result of gov-ernment bungling.

Last year's record issue of 41.1 billion yuan was mostly underwritten by a octwork of banks,

credit houses and brokerages across China. But instead of marketing the issue to the public, the underwriters sat on the paper. When the bond market nosedived later in the year they were unable to sell and are now left stranded with at least half of the issue.

"When the government went back to them this year and asked them to take more, they said 'No way, one source said.

It was a mess. Most of the bond departments at big banks have only a handful of staff. There were no salesmen, How did the government expect people to buy?" the source said.

Chinese investors have been lured by the prospect of spectacular profits in stocks and property and have spurned Treasury bills that barely keep pace with infla-tion. This year's five-year and three-year bonds carry coupons of 11 percent and 10 percent re-

Inflation is now running at 20 percent or higher in major cities.

Suharto Pledges to Keep Growth Rate Above 6%

pledged Monday to maintain economic growth at more than 6 nercent a year but said Indonesians would need to save more and pay

higher taxes. Only by preserving an adecan we overcome major socio-economic problems," the president told a National Assembly session, in an address outlining his policy goals for the next five years.

ation, expansion of employment sectors - notably vehicles. opportunities and equitable distribution of wealth. But Mr. Suharto warned that investment to spur growth would not be at the cost of loose monetary policies or credit expansion.

"Investment can only be fioanced by real economic resources more on developing the managerial that we put aside for this purpose." be said. "Credit expansion and loose monetary policy without mobilization of sufficient national savings will only lead to inflation, not

"With the limited state finances years to come, in order to maintain

az adequately high economic JAKARTA - President Suharto growth, we must continue to encourage investment by the business world and the community at large.

The bid to cool the economy caused domestic investments to fall in 1992 to 29.3 trillion rupiah (\$14.6 billion), from 55.3 trillion quately high economic growth rate rupiah in 1990, though foreign investment rose in the period to \$10.3 billion from \$8.7 billion.

Analysis say more foreign investment will flow if red tape is cut. corruption curbed and controls lift-Priorities include poverty allevi- ed on the few remaining regulated

> Mr. Suharto warned that Indonesia would soon have to depend less on cheap labor and abundant natural resources, including oil and wood, which spurred growth in the

Economic growth would depend and technical skills.

Social analysts have criticized the government for neglecting higher and technical education, leading to a severe shortage of managers, engineers, scientists and university teachers and a depenthat we will be suffering from in the dence on expatriates to fill these

U.K. Steel Mill Moving to Asia

KUALA LUMPUR -An Indonesian steel company said Monday it would buy a defunct steel plant in Scotland to be dismantled and

reassembled in Malaysia at a total cost of 2 billion ringgii (\$760 million).

Privately held PT Gunawan Dianjaya has agreed to buy the Ravenstraig plant, which has a capacity of 2.2 million metric tons a year, from

"Given its capacity, it will be the largest steel mill in Southeast Asia,"

said H. Rimbo, a director at Gunawan Iron & Steel, the Indonesian

concern's wholly owned local unit. The plant, to be set up in the energyrich state of Trengganu, will also be Southeast Asia's first blast-furnace steel mill and Malaysia's first steel-slab plant. Mr. Rimbo said.

British Steel and ship it to northeast Malaysia.

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Japan Airlines Co. is to close five sales offices and three reservation centers in North America.

"Norway's Statoil is pulling out of oil and gas operations on the Chinese

continental shelf after more than 10 years. * Philippine Airlines formally elected Lucio Tan. the Chinese business.

man who sparked a battle for cootrol of the carrier, to the board. Japan's domestic sales of cars, trucks and buses fell 7.9 percent in

February from the same mooth in 1992, to 422,200 units, for the eighth consecutive year-on-year decline. First Pacific Baneshares of Hong Kong said its profit after tax but

before extraordinary items rose 41.3 percent to 155.9 million Hong Kong dollars (\$20.0 million) in 1992.

• Japan's exports of videocassettes in 1992 plunged 19.3 percent from a year earlier to 17.74 million units for the second straight annual decline.

Foreign Banks Eager to Enter Yuan Business

HONG KONG — A plunge in the swapmarket price of China's yuan could have devastating effects on joint ventures, which depend on swap centers to turn yuan profits

into hard currency, bankers say. Foreign banks, however, see the swap-market crisis as a blessing in disguise. As joint ventures multiply into China, an increasing number will be calling on the overworked swap centers for help. Foreign bankers think they eventually will be asked to lend a hand.

Foreign companies are going to want to. have other ways of buying currency," said William Overholt, managing director of

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Banker's Trust in Hong Kong. "The Chinese leadership is pragmatic. It makes sense for foreign banks to lighten the load."

The swap-market price of the yuan has plummeted since the end of December, from 7.8 ynan to the dollar to 8.18 yuan. The official rate, which foreign tourists and state enterprises use, is 5.77 to the dollar.

"The rates are going to have to come closer together," Mr. Overholt said. "But if more players and bigger players are allowed to participate on a large scale in the swap markets, the rates will equilibrate much faster." Analysis agree that the long-term trend is for the years to be devalued. Some expect it to

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lose 15 percent to 20 percent of its value this year alone. But they say the losses are necessary to bring the currency to convertible levels.

Fears of competition have kept foreign banks in China on a tight leash. While they hunger for yuan business, the Chinese government allows them only to do foreign exchange and business with local corporations.

But in December, the vice governor of the People's Bank of China, Chen Yuan, said it would be acceptable for foreign banks to engage in yuan transactions in the long term, as long as they paid a higher tax rate than Chinese banks are charged.

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Watch Out, Norman: A New Shark Roams

By Christopher Clarey Special to the Herald Tribune

MELBOURNE - When a bleary-eyed Greg Norman nuched down in Australia last month after a marathon flight, he did what any self-respecting sports hern with a private jet does in the late 20th century. He beld a news conference on the tarmac.

Among the pressing topics was a 21-year-old golf sensa-tion from Melbourne named Rubert Allenby. "We need someone like that," Norman told his fellow

Aussies, "It's not a matter of anyone being dethroned." Nnt yet perhaps. But if one believes the golf sages this summer in the Southern Hemisphere, it may be only a matter of time before the Australian crown passes from Norman, the 38-year-old "Great White Shark," to the young and

hungry Allenby, a Down Under version of the rising American star Phil Mickelson.

"Fur a while, they were calling me Nurmanby, and I thought that was a bit ridiculous really," said Allenby, who has won three professional murnaments to Norman's 60plus. "Greg and I are two totally different people, but I would love to follow in the same footsteps. That's always been a dream for me."

The Australian press is clearly prepared to dream right

along with him.
"New Shark," announced a beadline in Sydney's Daily Telegraph-Mirror in December after Allenby had dominated a respectable field to win the Johnnie Walker Classic by five strokes at Royal Melbourne.

Two months later, oo that same course, Allenby nerveless ly outdueled Wayne Grady, the 1990 U.S. Professional Golfers' Association Champion, to win the Optus Players' Champinnship and set nff another round of soothsaying.

On Sunday. Allenby finished in a five-way tie for fifth place in the Canoo Challenge in Sydney, eight strokes behind the winner, Michael Campbell of New Zealand. In the first round Thursday, Allenby shot a course-record 63.

"He's definitely the best young one we've had around here

since Norman," said Peter Thomson, the five-time British Open champion who is president of PGA Australia. "I don't think anyone can possibly dominate golf anymore. There are too many playing it, and there's a great element of chance in the game. But Robert ought to go as far as any Australian has gone up to now. He's got a great golf brain and an

amazing ability to rise to the occasioo in a crisis."

Trailing Grady by one stroke on the 18th hole in the Players' Championship, Allenby rolled in a 30-foot (9-meter) put across a rain-soaked green to force a playoff. On the first extra bole, he birdied the 18th again, hitting a 6-iron approach shot to within six leet of the flag to set up his

"His whole attitude seems to soar when be gets in those sorts of situations, which is potentially the big difference between him and Norman," Thomson said. "Robert thrills to that tense, exciting finish, and I think that's the best reason he'll go and win something big." Steve Bann, a former touring professional who has coached Allenby for the last seven years, said he first seased something special during a practice round when Allenby was 15.

"He had been working really hard and was playing about a five- nr six-handicap." Bann said. "And so we went out, and on the first tee, be said. "Why don't we play this for a couple dollars." He shot 65, and I shot 63. Until then, his best score had been 70. It was the first time f realized that he had

an ability to find something extra.

Allenby, who began playing golf at age 7, met Bann at age
14 at the Box Hill Country Club in Melbourne, where Bann
was the bead professional. Allenby boned his game in
programs run by the state of Victoria that provide young. ialented golfers with everything from detailed instruction to

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After winning every amsteur tournament of importance in

The \$8 Million Man:

Kite Triumphs in L.A.

LOS ANGELES - Tom Kite became golf's first \$8

Four shots behind with seven holes to play, Kite made five birdies down the stretch on Sunday to win

the Los Angeles Open.

Winning for the second time in three tournaments,

Kite earned \$180,000 for the victory at Riviera to raise

his career earnings to more than \$8 million. He won the Bob Hope Deseri Classic two weeks ago, breaking the

He finished the tournament at Riviera, shortened to

Kite also is the tour's top all-time money-winner. He ranks far ahead in career earnings, with Tom Watson a distant second at just over \$6 million.

Kite moved ahead of a faltering Jay Don Blake with

a birdie on No. 15. He then took sole possession of the

lead with a par on No. 16 as Paul Azinger, who had moved into a tie for the lead at 5-under, bogeyed. He locked up the 19th victory of his career with

After an opening 73 that left him six strokes off the first-day lead. Kite shot himself into contention in the

second round with a 5-under-par 66, including a 30

54 holes when play was washed out Friday, with a closing 4-under-par 67 that left him three shots ahead of Fred Couples, the defending champion, Donnie

million man, and be did it in dramatic fashion.

tournament record by four strokes.

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over the last nine holes.

Hammond. Payne Stewart and Dave Barr.

Australia, Allenby made his breakthrough at the 1991 Australian Open by finishing second to Wayne Riley. He immediately turned professional and proceeded to finish first on the Australasian Tour money list in 1992, winning his first protournament at the Perak Masters in Malaysia in October. He also played selected events in Europe, finishing in a ne for second at the Scandinavian Masters behind Nick Faldo.

This year, be will play a full schedule on the European Tour and has received invitations to play in the British Open, the U.S. Open and several other high-profile events in Jeona

the U.S. Open and several other high-profile events in Japan and the United States.

"My goals this year are to win the Australasian order of merit again and to finish in the top 10 on the European Allenby said.

tour." Allenby said.

His objectives apparently don't stop there. Bann recently asked his prize pupil to write down a list of short-term goals. One of them was winning a major tournament.

"I said, 'Hey, wait a minute. What's your long-term goal?" Bann recalled. "He said he wanted to win all four."

Despite such self-assurance, Allenby is far from brash. The fourth child of British parents who emigrated to Melbourne from the dales of Yorkshire, Allenby is content to leave the overstatement to others.

leave the overstatement to others.
"They're all doer, Yorkshiremen." Thomson said with a chuckle.

Despite the myriad comparisons, Allenby — with his sandy hair, loose-limbed stride and slender build — is much more reminiscent of the American Paul Azinger than the robust, blond-haired Norman.

"I need to put some weight on," Allenby said between bites of a meat pie. "I'll be having tea in another five minutes' time. This is just an appetizer."

The most remarkable thing about Allenby are his eyes. Narrow and hard, they are the eyes of a villian in a Sergio Leone western, and when he gets on a golf course, they give him the look of a predator.

His game, bowever, is a study in moderation. Long off the tee but not too long, be has a compact swing in which he lifts his head slightly before making contact, and a beautifully

hitch-free putting stroke.

Above all, be has that precious sense of moment. After struggling through most of the first round of the Australian Masters in Melbourne last week, he stared up at the sizable gallery rimming the 18th green at Huntingdale Golf Club and hit an approach shot two feet from the hole to set up a

"How's my bitle boy doing?" someone from the crowd yelled to Allenby's mother, Sylvia.
"You just saw him," she replied. "He likes 18th greens."
But 18th greens look friendlier to a 21-year-old than to someone with a reputation to defend. Take it from the oft-

vulnerable Australian who still wears the crown. "I saw the two putts Robert made to win the Players Championship," Norman told the Age in Melbourne. "He hasn't learned to miss yet. He will, He'll come down and experience some troughs as well as the highs. We all do."



FINGER POINTING — Lazio's Paul Gascoigne, left, exchanging words with Genoa's Michele Padouano after the English star had knocked down Padouano's teaumate Mario Bortolazzi during their Italian soccer league match in Rome. Gascoigne was expelled, but Lazio won, 3-2.

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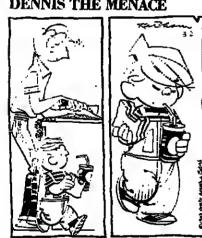
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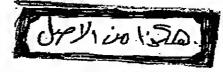








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The Boss Returns: Steinbrenner Strolls Back Into Baseball

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatche FORT LAUDERDALE, Florida — The Boss is back.

With an airplane overhead heralding his return and fans in the stands early for his arrival, George Stembrenner walked back into haseball on Monday.

Steinbrenner's 2½-year suspension ended at midnight and at al 10:30 A.M. he strode through the front gate at the New York Yankees' spring training camp, surrounded by several hundred reporters and two dozen camera crews.

"It makes me feel good. I'd rather get shoved around a little hit than have no one here," the New York Yankees owner said.

The Yankees, meanwhile, braced for his return. Players and staff have spent the last week saying all the right things, saying — whether they meant it or not — that they thought Stembrenner's presence would help them return to winning ways.

While Steinbrenner's return certainly creates excitement, it may not be the kind of commotion the Yankees — or baseball — wants. There will be some differences," Steinbrenner said. "In many ways, it will be different and I'll be different."

Steinbrenner has pledged to be more patient with his players and be more understanding of their failures. That, though, remains to be seen. Twe been waiting 21/2 years for this opporunity." Steinbrenner said shortly after midnight

Steinbrenner and a longtime friend, Tom McEwen, a sports columnist for The Tampa Tribune, flew in Steinbrenner's private jet to an airfield near the Yankees' camp at Fort Landerdale Stadium. The two walked alone without fanfare for 10 minutes and got within

20 yards (15 meters) of the gate before being spotted.

Many reporters stampeded toward him. In the next 45 minutes, Steinbrenner moved less than 25 yards as he answered questions.

"I oever really thought about the day I'd come back, but I'm just glad to come back," he said.

A half-hour before Steinbrenner's arrival, a small plane circled overhead, trailing a sign reading, "Welcome Home George." Inside the stadium, where fans were admitted free for the workout, there

were more signs cheering his return.

A loud mixture of applause and boos greated Steinbrenner when he finally made his way onto the field.

Steinbrenner's return comes 17 years to the day after he came back from his first suspension, a 15-month penalty imposed by Bowie Kuhn for making illegal campaign contributions to Richard Nixon and other politicians. Steinbrenner also returns on the same day that the Cincinnati Reds' owner, Marge Schott, begins serving her one-year suspension for making racist and ethnic stars.

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Steinbrenner had thought about riding into camp on a white horse - the same one on which he posed as Napoleon for this week's Sports Illustrated cover — but apparently decided not to.

"Believe me, there's no Waterloo in my future," he said.
The Yankees, meanwhile, braced for his arrival.
"No, I'm not nervous," the manager, Buck Showalter, said Sunday. "I'm kind of looking forward to him coming in and hearing

what he wants to say to the team." Showalter has not spoken with Steinbrenner since the owner was

suspended on Aug. 20, 1990, by then-commissioner Fay Vincent for paying \$40,000 to a gambler, Howie Spira, for information to discredit the Yankees' star Dave Winfield.

Don Mattingly, the Yankees' captam, is one of just a handful of players who was with the Yankees before Steinbrenner was banned. "I think that it will create excitement around our club again." he said. "We haven't been a very good club, and we haven't been exciting lately. He brings something to the club. He adds excite-

ment."
Two spring training instructors and veterans of past Steinbreamer sagas, Ron Guidry and Rick Cerone, also velcomed his return.
"It's like the dawning of a new age," Guidry said.
"Baseball needs a shot in the arm," Cerone said. "Whether you love him or hate him, he's a big story. Baseball is probably thrilled

But Steinbrenner didn't always bring the kind of excitement that

the Yankees, their fans or the rest of baseball wanted. During Steinbrenner's tenure, which began when he bought the team in January 1973, he has changed managers 18 times, general managers 14 times and pitching coaches 31 times.

Some players have sought out advice from Guidry and Cerone about dealing with Steinbrenner. Most are simply curious.

"The man is definitely interesting," said Mike Gallego, "He's the Boss. There are only two people I know who have been called the

Boss and the other one sings."

Steinbrenner has been known to intimidate employees, and that may be why things have grown somewhat tenser in the Yankee organization recently. In an interview last week, Steinbrenner said he

organization recently. In an interview last week, Steinbrenner said he planned to be more patient this season and might even decrease his role, but it is hard to believe that be will avoid the spotlight.

"I missed the everyday challenge," Steinbrenner conceded. "This is going to be a major part of my life."

Said Gallego: "Hopefully, this will not be the biggest story that happens this year. Hopefully, there will be a lot of bigger stories with this team."



Bobby Hurley battling UCLA players for a loose ball. Earlier, Duke had retired Hurley's No. 11.

His Number Up, Hurley **Does Honors for Duke**

and 80th consecutive nonconference home victory.

Asked about his ejection, Har-

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Then there was Hurley, who

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points, 13.B assists and 39 minutes

in the four games that Grant Hill has missed because of a sprained

"For Bobby to respond with a performance to match his bonor is

truly amazing to me," Krzyzewski

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said, "the first place I'm going to look up at is the two banners" com-

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Duke, 32-23.

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By Steve Berkowitz

Washington Post Service
DURHAM, North Carolina — Duke retired Bobby Hurley's No. 11 jersey, and then the senior guard showed why.

With the junior forward Grant Hill still sidelined because of an injured toe, Hurley had 19 points and 15 assists as the ninth-ranked Blue Devils defeated UCLA, 78-67. here on Sunday.

But the day and Duke's winning streaks against non-Atlantic Coast Conference teams were not secure until the final 30 seconds, which included the sjection of the beleaguered UCLA coach, Jim Harrick.

The Blue Devils led 69-59 with six minutes to play and 71-63 with four minutes left. But UCLA took advantage of two steals and a missed one-and-one to make it 71-67 with nearly three minutes left. Duke came up with steals on

UCLA's next two possessions, and the Bruins did not score again. After the first steal. Hurley converted a one-and-one to make it 73-67. After the second, Kenny Blakeney made one free throw with 27 secands left.

Harrick, who yelled at the officials after both steals, finally lost control when no calls were made on guard Tyus Edney's missed 3-point attempt and center Rodney Zimmerman's follow-up that was blocked by Cherokee Parks.

After Zimmerman fouled Thomas Hill to stop the clock with 10 seconds left, an official called two technicals on Harrick. Hill (22 points) made four of the subsequent six free throws, and Duke (22-5) ran out the clock for its 36th

go, giving Deriver a 90-84 lead.

has played for Duke.
"Then," he continued, "the next place I'm going to look at is the place with my name and my jersey up there. It's a great feeling and great honor, the best honor given to first seven of a 15-3 spurt in the fourth quarter against Charlotte. The Homets led 84-83 before me in my career so far."

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In addition, there was the residue of an incident that occurred last Jackson's 3-pointer with 11 minutes Tuesday, the day before Duke's 98left started the decisive nun. Jackson 75 shellacking of No. 6 Florida followed with a layup 17 seconds State. Krzyzewski threw the Blue later and a 19-footer with 10:09 to Devils out of the gym an bour into a lackluster afternoon practice, and

told them to return at 9 P.M., taped and ready to go again.

When the players returned, they discovered a locker room that had been stripped of the pictures of in the Los Angeles media in the them and former Duke players that had covered the walls. "We got our locker room sort of

10 do with the game — not with 10 seconds to go. But his antics reremodeled," Blakenev said. The Blue Devils also got a stern lecture from Krzyzewski during what Blakeney described as "a very emotional-type meeting." The practice was brief, but the point had been made.

9), who had won four straight games before losing at home to Southern California on Thursday. Forward Ed O'Bannon scored 19 "We can't let that one meeting be the key," Blakeney said. "We have to continue to do things together."

In other games played Sunday,
The Associated Press reported:
No. 5 Michigan 66, Ohio State
42: In Columbus, Ohio, Jimmy ed offense that beat Duke down the King hit two looping jumpers to give Michigan a five-point lead, and Jalen Rose kept the Wolverines (22-4, 11-3 Big Ten) ahead with needs just five assists to surpass the all-time career record of 1,038 set three free throws in the final 29 by North Carolina State's Chris

Michigan avoided becoming the second Top Five team to lose to Ohio State in a week. The Buckeyes shocked top-ranked Indiana, 81-in overtime on Tuesday night.
 The Wolverines overcame a five-

point deficit with 15 minutes left before a roaring crowd of 13,276 at

No. 25 Pittsburgh 51, George-town 48: In Pittsburgh, Chris McNeal made two free throws with 25 seconds left to give Pitt the lead for good at 49-48. The Panthers (16-8, 8-8 Big East) held George-town scoreless over the final 2:52.

ships — both won with Hurley, who is 113-22 overall and 17-1 in ■ Lamar Sets 3-Point Mark the NCAA tournament games he Lamar University set an NCAA record on Sunday by hitting 23 3-pointers in a 113-76 victory over Louisiana Tech, United Press International reported from Beau-

moot Texas. Lamar broke the mark of 22 3pointers set by Kentucky to 1989 and equaled by Loyola-Mary-mount to 1990 and Nevada-Las Vegas in 1991. The Cardinals also eclipsed their own Sun Beli Conference mark of 20 3-pointers in a game set earlier this year against Prairie View A&M.

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Cavaliers End Suns' Home Streak at 19

The Associated Press The Phoenix Suns gave Cleve-land a free ride to end their 19game winning streak at home.

The Cavaliers, who had never before practiced or played on the America West Arena floor, made 12 of 12 free throws in the fourth quarter of a 101-94 victory over the Suns on Sunday. Phoenix, now 22-2 at home this season, missed five of seven foul shots in the final period. The Cavs, who played in Los Angeles on Friday and practiced

- NBA HIGHLIGHTS -

Saturday on the basement practice court at the arena, won their seveath consecutive game by outscor-ing Phoenix 57-33 after trailing by points early in the second ha

"I can't imagine the magnitude of this win," said Larry Nance, who had 21 points, 17 rebounds and five blocks. "It is a buge boost to our confidence. You have to come into a great team's building and win to be a good team."

The Suns failed for the third time home. They previously won 19 straight in 1989-90 and last season. Charles Barkley had his second atraight triple-donble with 27 Green scored a season-high 30 points, 19 rebounds and 11 assists points and James Worthy had six for Phoenix.

Portland lost in Boston and also saw Clyde Drexler go down with a sprained left barnstring in the sprained left barnstring in the lead and triggered the 8-0 run that made it 110-103. The Clippers, play-Xavier McDaniel scored 30 ing without leading scorer Danny

points, Reggie Lewis 25 and Robert Manning because of a one-game Parish had 16 points and 17 re-bounds for the Celtics, who extend-114-110 before the Lakers scored 10 ed a seven-point lead to 16 after of the game's final 12 points. Drexier was carried off the court. It was the most points scored by ver won for the 11th time in 12 Bostoo since a 124-119 double-bome games, sparked by Chris overtime victory at Minnesota on Jackson's 28 points, including the

Spars 94, Magic 90: San Antonio snapped a season-high three-game losing streak as David Robinson had 23 points and 16 rebounds and point guard Avery Johnson made six foul shots in the fmal 3:18 in

but they held on despite Nick Anderson's 30 points and 6-for-10 3point shooting.

handed Atlantic Division-leading New York its second straight loopsided loss as Drazen Petrovic scored 28 points and Derrick Coleman 26. The visiting Knicks, losers by 28 points in Detroit on Friday night, tied their season-low for points. shot 35.9 percent from the field and

to win 20 consecutive games at were outrebounded 53-36 by the Nets, who got 21 rebounds from backup center Chris Dudley.

Lakers 124, Clippers 112: A. C.

of his 22 points during a decisive 8-Celtics 122, Traff Blazers 110: 0 run in the fourth quarter.

Pertland lost in Boston and also Worthy's jump shot with 6:55 reToday's

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IOC-U.S. TV Talks Set for '96 Games

LAUSANNE, Switzerland (AP) — The International Olympic Committee announced on Monday that it would hold formal negotiations in July with U.S. networks bidding to carry the 1996 Summer Games.

"The IOC has a strong preference for reaching an agreement with one of the traditional networks because we know them and have a long experience of dealing with them," said Richard W. Pound, chairman of the IOC's relevision nesotiating committee. in an IOC announcement.

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But, be added, "We are fully aware that there have been many changes in the television industry in the United States and are certainly ready to consider new approaches which could lead to more television coverage of more Olympic events for wider American audiences."

Buckner Linked to Mavericks Joh

DALLAS (AP) — Quinn Buckner, a former college and National Basketball Association player with no coaching experience, will be officed the coaching job of the struggling Dallas Mavericks this week, a

Team sources told The Dallas Morning News that club officials are confident Buckner will accept the offer. But Buckner, 38, would not take over as coach until next season, the sources said. That would leave the interim coach, Gar Heard, in charge for this season. The Mavericks are 4-48 following Smday's 110-96 loss — their 10th straight — to the Indiana Paceas, and are on pace to finish with the worst record in NBA history.

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lolanda Chen of Russia set a women's indoor triple jump record in Moscow on Sunday with a leap of 14.46 meters (47.718 feet), the Russian press agency Itar-Tass reported. The previous record of 14.44 meters was set by Inessa Kravets of Ukraine in Spain in 1991. (Reuters) For the Record

Becker and Stich Call Truce in Cup Dispute for pulling out of Germany's first-round tie with Russia this month to concentrate on re-

HAMBURG - Germany's Wimbledon champions, Boris Becker and Michael Stich, have called a truce in their bitter Da-

vis Cup dispute. The German tennis federa-tion said Monday that the two players, who have both had talks with the body's president. Claus Stander, in recent days, wanted to call an end to the argument over Becker's deci-sion to pull out of the team. "Both players stressed that they wanted to draw a final line

under the whole affair," a federation statement said. "They both agreed to arrange a meeting in the future where they could talk about common sporting goals," it added. Stich and Becker teamed up

to win the men's doubles title at

the 1992 Barcelona Olympics. But Stich criticized Becker

gaining the No. 1 spot in the world rankings.
He threatened to quit the team if Becker was allowed back on the squad for a later

match_ The dispute reached boiling point last month at the Stuttgart Classic. Becker accused Stich of ask-

ing the federation for a written assurance that Becker, a threetimes Wimbledon champion, would not be allowed back on the team. Stich, the 991 Wimbledon winner, denied the allegations.

The federation confirmed Monday that Stich would play in the March 26-28 Moscow tie. The federation said, bowever, that Becker would not play, as he had maintained.

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make the economy more interesting? By treating it as a sex scandal.

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From The New York Post: WASHINGTON - An anonymous source in the capital announced today that members of the Clinton administration abused the military budget to the tune of \$100 billion. When senators told the administration personnel to stop making lewd remarks to the Stealth bomber proponents, the administration replied that they weren't abusing anybody, and the White House had the right to proposition the armed forces in any manner it

No charges have been brought against the Clinton people, hut an ethics committee is conducting an investigation and will decide whether the \$100 hillico hug could he considered government or pri-

vate business. In the meantime, upper-bracket taxpayers claimed that they had been sexually harassed by Clinton's tax program. "Anybody who taxes you against your will." said the spokesman. "should he put against

the wall and shot." The White House denied that it was raping the rich.

All we are doing is holding their feet to the fire. Some might say it's painful, but on cold nights the ma-

Czar's Wine Auctioned

TOKYO -Two bottles of century-old Crimean wine bearing the crest of the last Russian czar sold for 2.1 million yen (\$17.800) each at an auction in Japan, a Tokyo newspaper reported. The 1891 Port Liva-diya and 1894 Tokaj Livadiya survived the Russian Revolution and two world wars in a cellar in Yalta.

that, despite President Clinton's plea for a reduction in deficit spending, many congressmen and senators are still in bed with their lohbyists. Photographers crashed in on a finance subcommittee and discovered three senators fondling the arguments of private health care advocates.

As photographers took their flash photos a lobbyist cried. "I don't care what you do to me - I will always kiss Senator Bones's

The proposals in the committee were naked ones and therefore were not printed in The New York

Secretary of Commerce Ron Brown called a press conference today and announced that the tax credit plan for business was his haby. He told reporters that it was conceived one foolish night in a hotel room in Kansas City. But he accepted paternity for it and said that the Commerce Department would pay for the child and raise it

A Republican in Texas claims that he had been molested by Clinton's tax-and-spend program. "I just went up for one drink, and before I knew it they had put a

surcharge on my income."

The White House responded "He was asking for it."

This just in from the National

President Clinton's economic roposal was born with two heads. was, explained scientists at the Federal Reserve, an aberration hut not that special as most presidential budgets have two heads. There was some question whether the two-headed monster would survive

until spring.
If it dies it will be put in a bottle of formaldehyde and placed on a shelf with all the other two-headed monstrosities proposed by previous

The National Star reports that President Clinton is considering a "love tax" for people making more than \$200,000 a year. A source said. They are the people who can af-ford it the most and, knowing bow the rich think, Clinton's advisers assure him they will pay the excise tax without a squawk."

He's Riding the Wave With the Simpsons

By Elizabeth Kolbert

New York Times Service
OS ANGELES — Matt Groening would like to tell
you a few things about his family: His father, Homer, is not bald; his sister Lisa does not play the saxophone; his sister Maggic is not mute; his mother, Margaret, though,

used to have "huge hair."

The world is full of literalists (Elmer Fudds, Groening would say). So it is not surprising that when people learn that the creator of America's favorite dysfunctional family, the Simpsons, named the characters after his closest relatives, they want to know if he is, well, you know, a little hostile. He is not. In fact, to MANAMA

prove that he didn't mean any-thing hy naming a fat, incom-petent slob like Homer Simpon after his father, he named his first son Homer, too. For a man who has become

famous on the strength of his dark musings, starting with "Life in Hell," his weekly comic strip, Groening (it rhymes with complaining his publicist says) comes off in person as surprisingly benign: The ubiquitous Bart big, bearish and still a bit as-

tonished to find his jokes getting so out of hand. Over lunch on the 20th Century Fox lot, he tried to dispel a lot of misconceptions about "The Simpsons," about television and about comedy in general

"So much humor is based on 'life is horrible, sex is nasty and you can't trust anyone," he said. "Of course, those are all true. But that's not my point of view." It is six years since "The Simpsons" made its debut as a

20-second segment in "The Tracey Ullman Show" and three years since it became its own series on Fox Broadcasting and spread around the world. Over the years, "The Simpsons" and its irreverently

unsentimental outlook have provoked a mountain of commentary about the decline of American culture. By now, though, the damage, such as it is, has clearly been done: The show has entered the very pop culture it pokes so much fun at. The higgest danger the show seems to face is that it will lose its power to surprise. But for now, at least, it continues to thrive; it is consistently the most-watched show in its time slot, Thursday evenings, and is Fox's No. 1 program.

More than just a television hit, "The Simpsons" is also a mass-marketing phenomenon: Probably not since Mickey Mouse raised his ears has a silhouette appeared on as many paraphernalia as Bart Simpson's crown-roast-shaped head. There are Bart cake pans, Bart bicycles and Bart pinbali machines, Bart note cards. Bart soda bottles and Bart game books. From his office to the Fox lot Groening cheerfully presides over this merchandising mania.
"I feel like it's a tidal wave I'm surfing on," he said.

"And to be honest, the whole "Simpsons project was a project to see how far I could go in the mainstream. I may be going to hell, but I did embrace all the stuff — the T-

shirts, the Bart phone, the chess set, all of it." At 39, Groening still observes many of the customs of the youthful counterculture where he got his start: His hair is longish, his attire runs toward T-shirts and sneakers, and in-stead of business cards he hands out his phone number on little bits of torn paper. But while he used to drive a beat-up Dodge Dart, he now drives a sleek new BMW. And he has "gone Hollywood" enough, he concedes, that when he is picked up by a limousine, he no longer feels that be has to keep the chanffeur entertained for the whole ride.

Groening identifies closely with the op-pressed children of America, sitting at their desks, waiting to cause trouble. In conversations over two days and several venues — at a party at his friend Frank Zappa's house, over lunch at the Fox commissary and in his office — he revealed a deep association with the adolescents who form the core audience of "The Simpsons." His office at Fox has the frantic clutter of a teenager's bedroom. He makes pointed digs at Fox in front of network officials. His spirit of solidarity with children extends to his own sons, Homer, 3, and Abe, 1, toward whom, he confesses, he is "indul-

gent and spoiling."
"I had a real strong sense of drama as a kid," he said, "and I couldn't believe adults didn't remember what it was like to he a kid. I vowed I would never forget what it was like." By his own description, Groening behaved as a child much as Bart Simpson would if only he had more scholastic aptitude. Growing up in Portland, Oregon, he did well in school, but was frequently hauled down to the principal's office for smart-aleck conduct, like drawing

ington, Grocning moved to Los Angeles to become a writer, but he didn't really have any idea how to get started. One of his first employers was an aging B-movie director who needed help both getting around and writing his memoirs, "It turns out I was the latest in a long line of writer-

After attending Evergreen College in Olympia, Wash-

chauffeurs," Groening said. From this and other joyless jobs, "Life in Hell" was born.

The weekly comic strip chronicles the miseries of Bongo, the one-eared rabbit, as well as those of Akbar and Jeff, the loveloru look-alikes. It was Groening's girlfriend, Deborah Caplan (now his wife), who in 1984 gave the comic strip its first lift by forming a small company to publish a collection of his cartoons, "Love Is Hell." The Simpsons are offspring of Bongo, Akbar and Jeff,

only slightly less hapless. They were created when James L. Brooks, the producer of "The Tracey Ullman Show," asked Groening to create animated segments for the program. Groening planned to use the figures from "Life in Hell." But he realized that Fox would own whatever characters went on the air. So he resurrected a family he



Matt Groening in his office with various Simpsons.

had created in high school as an answer to what he saw as

the co-opting of "The Catcher in the Rye."
"I wanted to write something they couldn't teach in high school because it had too much foul language," he said. Groening describes "The Simpsons" as a decidedly perverse take on some of the most popular shows of his childhood, like "Leave It to Beaver." "Bart is like what would happen if Eddie Haskell got his own show," he said. "He was a deviant."

Indeed, "The Simpsons" has something to offend almost everyone: The cops sit around eating doughnuts, the teachers are lost without their answer books, the parents are losers and even God is a malcontent. Television and those who watch it are remorselessly lampooned.

Groening has several theories for the success of his

unusually caustic brand of humor. Unlike most shows, which he finds sluggish, "The Simpsons" is written to move at a manic pace. Some of the funniest jokes, he says, can only be caught on a still frame. But when pressed, he concedes that he is not sure what makes his critique of Middle America so appealing to Middle Americans. It may simply be, he speculates, "that people don't get it,"

PEOPLE

No Foreign Royalty At Wedding in Japan

Foreign royalty and heads of state will not be invited to the wedstate will not be invited to the wed-ding of Crown Prince Naruhito lat-er this year, but that's in keeping with precedent, Japanese news agencies report. The prince's mar-riage to Masako Owada is widely expected to take place in late May or June. No foreign royalty attend-ed the medding of Naruhito's faof the wedding of Naruhito's fa-ther, Emperor Akiniso, or of his grandfather, Emperor Hirohito, Kyodo news agency said.

The author Coruse McCarthy has won the 1992 National Book Critics Circle Award for his novel "All the Pretty Horses." The book also won the National Book Award for fiction, and the two awards make McCarthy a strong contender for the Pulitzer Prize in fiction. Norman Macless, the author of the model classic "A River Runs Through Lt." received posthumously the nonfic-tion prize for "Young Men and Fire." Maclean died to 1990. The award for biography-autobiography-went to "Writing Dangerously: Mary McCarthy and Her World," by Carol Brightman. Garry Wills-won the criticism prize for "Lincoln" at Gettysburg: The Words That Romade America."

Hego W. Moser, the doctor who heads the U.S. study of the uses of "Lorenzo's oil" to treat a rare disease known as ALD, has weighed in on the movie of the same name.
Writing in the British medical journal The Lancet, he says: "As a work of fiction, "Lorenzo's Oil" is an excellent film." But he adds: "Our results, and also those from Italy, indicate that the oil does not slow the rapid progression of the childhood neurological form of the illness."

Paul McCartney arrived in Australia on Monday to start a world tour. He will tour Australia and New Zealand before going on to the United States, Canada and Europe.

The actor Tony Curis, 67, has married for the fourth time, to a lawyer, Lisa Dentsch, 30.

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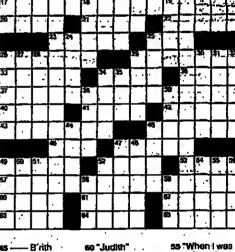
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1 James' extraordinary new nov-el, "The Children of Men," that is more chilling than anything encountered in her detective stories because, as all-too-believable fiction, it comes too close for comfort. In 2021, Britain is a police state

group, elderly women dressed in

bridesmaid. Anyone who hesitates is gently pushed on board by the SSP (State Security Police). After all, the old folks have signed their THERE'S a scene in P. D. death warrants to triplicate; Quietus is all perfectly legal. Their feet are shackled and attached to weights on the barges. As a band plays popular tunes and religious nymns — "Bye Bye, Blackbird," Abide With Me" — the barges are towed to sea. Once out of sight of ruled by a dictator in tweeds. Peoland, soldiers knock away the ple who are old, sick or considered plugs, board a motorboat and rea hurden to society are forced to turn to shore. The barges slowly volunteer for a government prosink beneath the waves with their gram known as Quietus. One

cargo of useless citizens.
This time out, James (Baron shroudlike white robes in a beach James of Holland Park since 1991) resort, are drugged and walked or puts aside her successful detectivestory formula and delivers a moral fable that is frightening in its impli-

In "The Children of Men," the crime is not against an individual victim hut against all the beleaguered people of England early in the 21st century. The novel pits an Oxford historian against his cous-in, the dictator, who is called the Warden of England, in a struggle for the soul of the dispirited nation. James is too much of a profes-

sional to turn her novel into a parable on England's problems today. But clearly, she is warning readers about what might occur if British society lost its historic moorings in the monarchy and the church. lames stretches her considerable talents in this daring novel.

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EIZING the initiative was Judit Polgar's main weapon against Boris Spassky in her victory in their 10-game exhibition match, which concluded Feb. 16 in Budapest. Polgar repeatedly relied on adventurous pawn sacrifices to deny Spassky the chance for the initiative when she had Black. Her adherence to "the best defense is a good offense" school worked well for her; Spassky couldn't quash her dynamic, aggressive maneuvering and was pretty much hamstrung

Meanwhile, when Polgar had White, she gave up not only pawns but pieces, too. In Game 4, she had offered a knight to break through and here, in Game 8, she daringly offered a speculative bishop sacrifice to create the pressure that de-

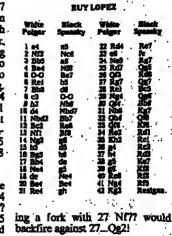
Spassky returned to the Breyer in this Game 8, surely believing that he had unearthed a potent counterattack. The keynote of the Breyer is the redeployment with 9...Nb8 10 d4 Nbd7, which is intended to increase the resilience of the black position and to allow the queen ishop to add to the pressure on the e4 pawn exerted indirectly by Black's king rook and king knight.

In Game 2, Spassky had answered Polgar's 15 b3 with 15...Bg7, but that let her gain a useful advantage to space with 16 d5 and solidify it after 16...Bf8 17 Bg5 h6 18 Be3 of 19 c4. Later, his cked-off queen bishop could not help out with the defense of the king. This time he tried a breakthrough in the center with 15...d5.

She produced 16 Bg5 h6 17 Bh4!?, during the former champion to trap the aggressive bishop with 17...go. Spassky declined the offer, probably fearing that 18 Ng5! hg 19 Bg5 would yield Polgar too much positional pressure and too chances for an attack on the king.
Thus, 19...ed 20 cd de 21 Ne4 Be4
22 Be4 Rb8 23 Qf3 Rb6 24 Bc6 Rel
25 Rel Bg7 26 d5 would make it
difficult for Black to extricate himself from the threat of 27 h4, 28 h5 and 29 h6 or 27 Re4 followed by 28

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Yet after 17...de 18 No4 g5. 19 de No4 20 Bo4 Bo4 21 Ro4 gh 22 Rd4 Re7 23 of fe 24 No5 Rg7 (24...Bg7? lets White win material with 25 No6) 25 Rd7, Polgar had cleared



Q14 Bb6 31 Nh6 Kg7 32 Qh4 and



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